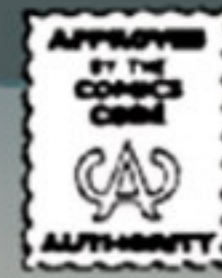


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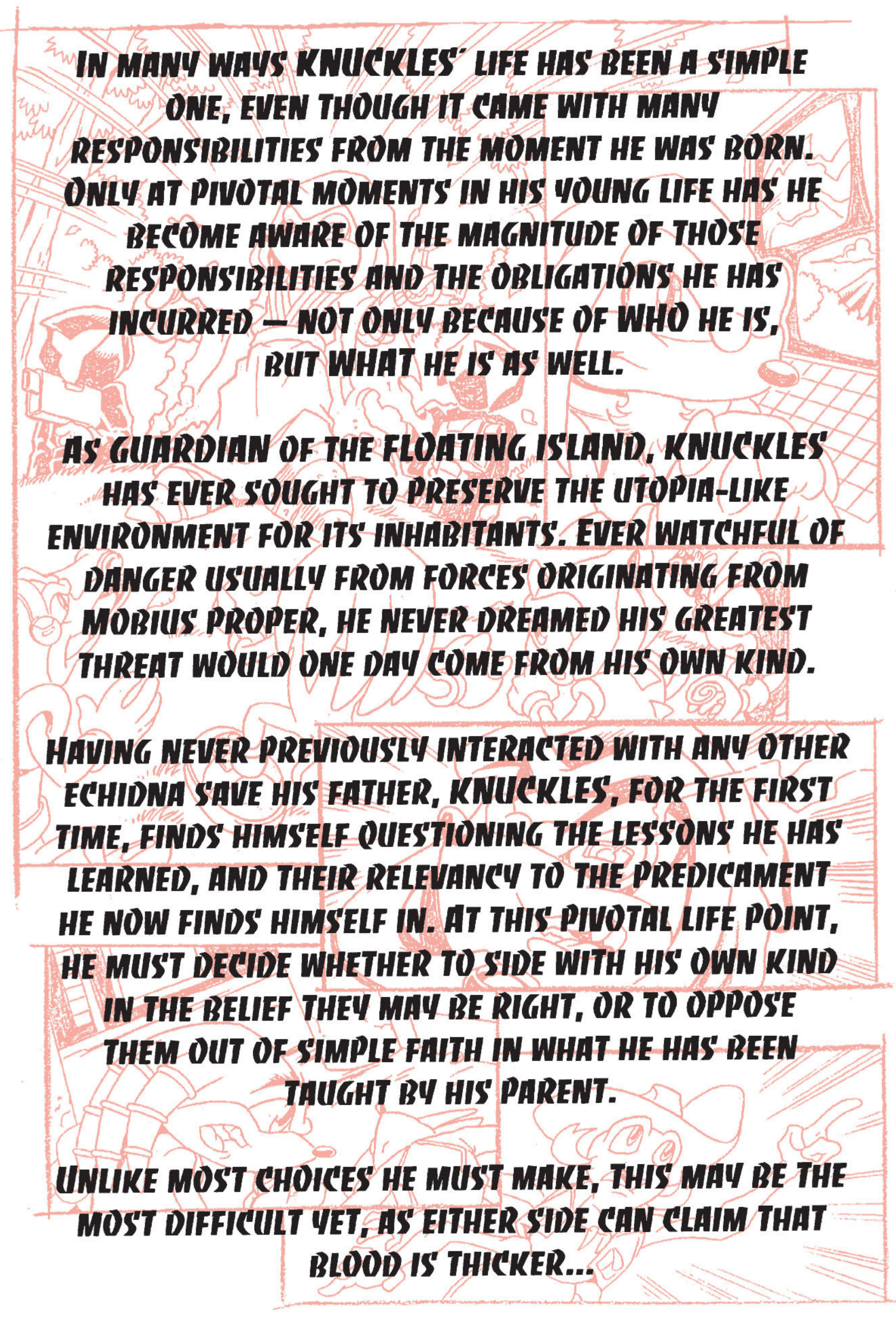
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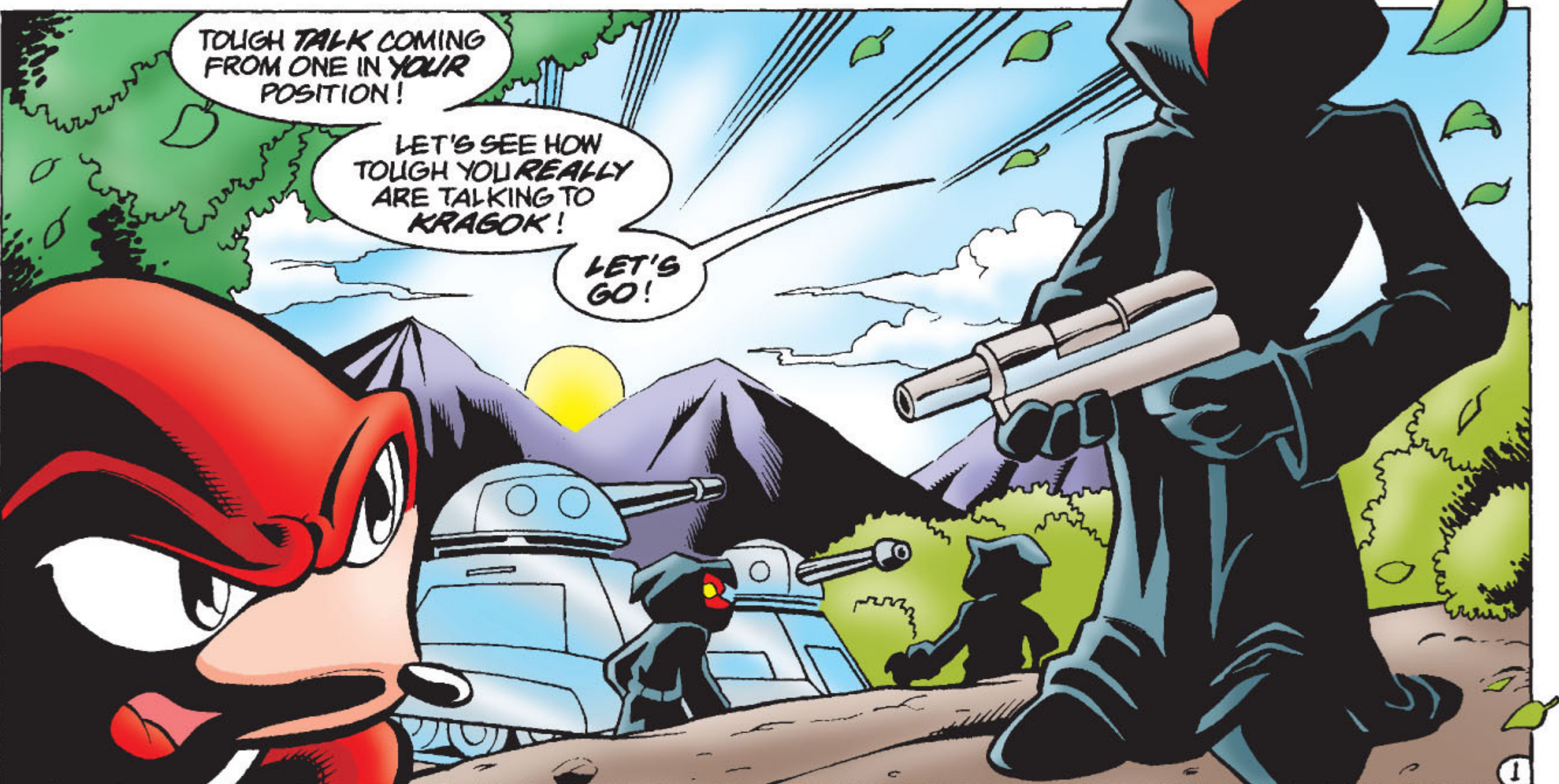
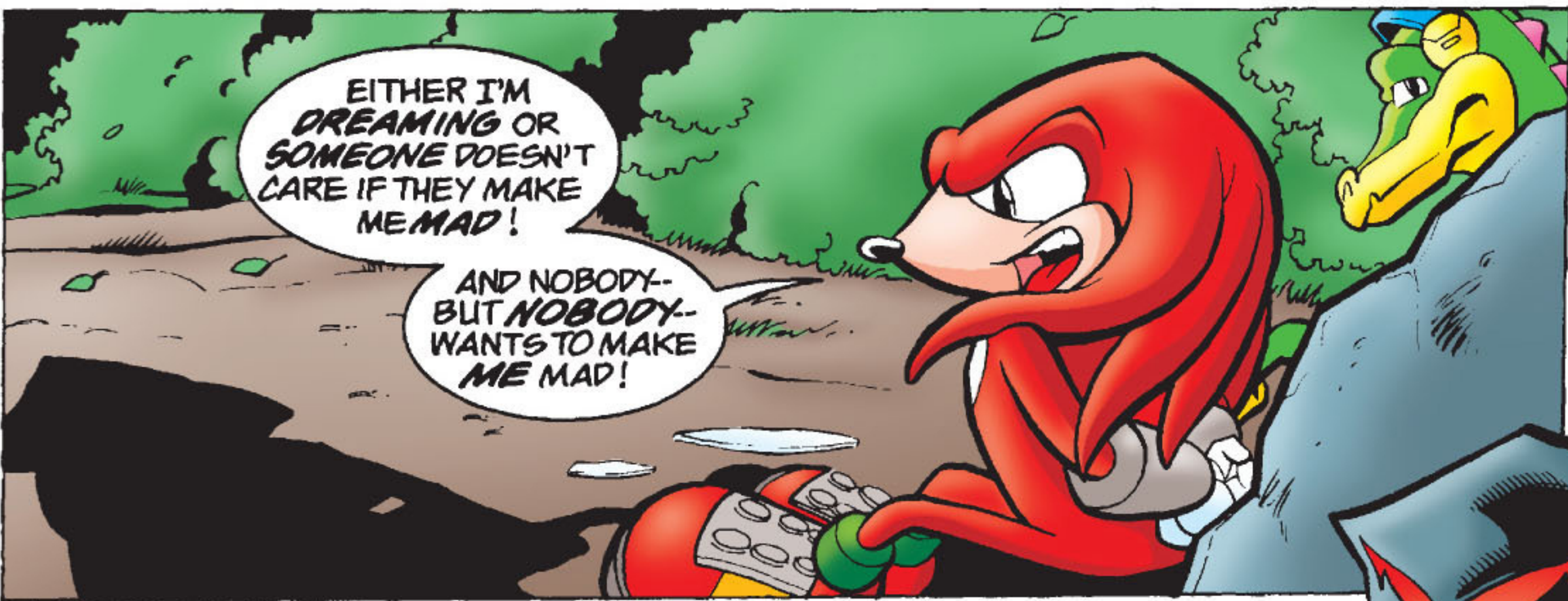
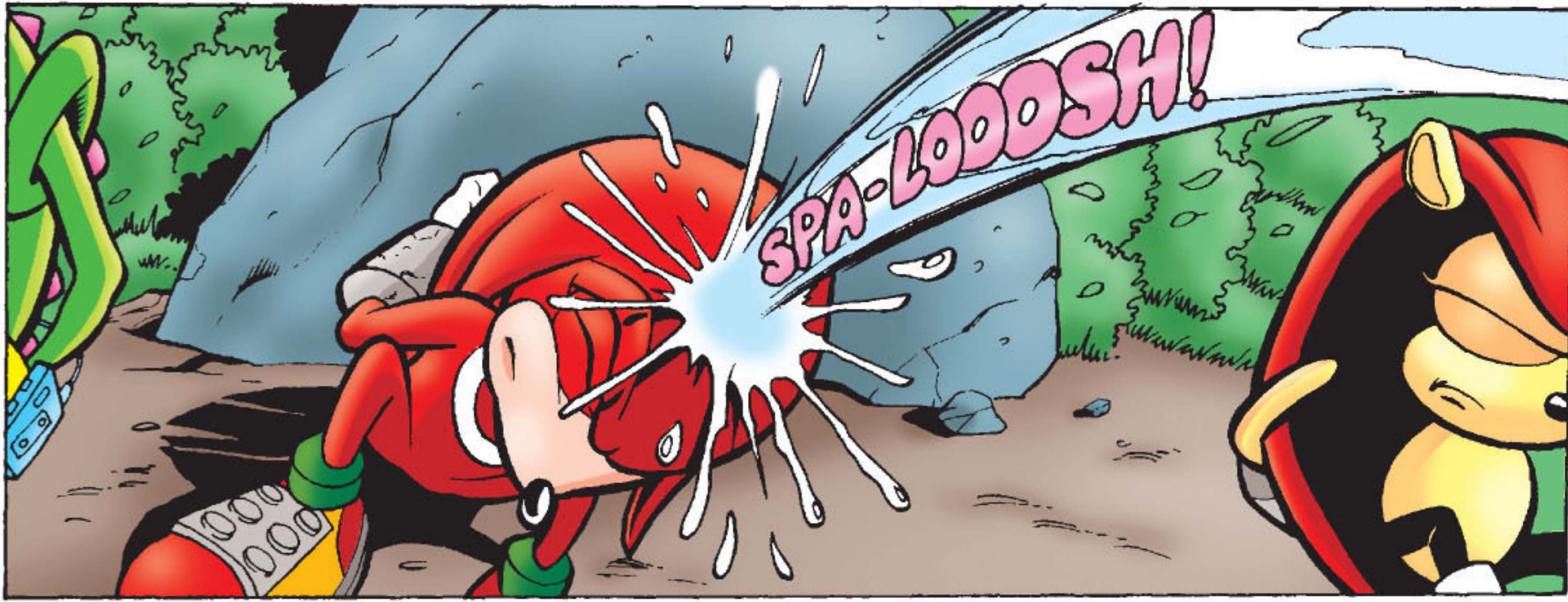


IN MANY WAYS KNUCKLES' LIFE HAS BEEN A SIMPLE ONE, EVEN THOUGH IT CAME WITH MANY RESPONSIBILITIES FROM THE MOMENT HE WAS BORN. ONLY AT PIVOTAL MOMENTS IN HIS YOUNG LIFE HAS HE BECOME AWARE OF THE MAGNITUDE OF THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES AND THE OBLIGATIONS HE HAS INCURRED — NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF WHO HE IS, BUT WHAT HE IS AS WELL.

AS GUARDIAN OF THE FLOATING ISLAND, KNUCKLES HAS EVER SOUGHT TO PRESERVE THE UTOPIA-LIKE ENVIRONMENT FOR ITS INHABITANTS. EVER WATCHFUL OF DANGER USUALLY FROM FORCES ORIGINATING FROM MOBIUS PROPER, HE NEVER DREAMED HIS GREATEST THREAT WOULD ONE DAY COME FROM HIS OWN KIND.

HAVING NEVER PREVIOUSLY INTERACTED WITH ANY OTHER ECHIDNA SAVE HIS FATHER, KNUCKLES, FOR THE FIRST TIME, FINDS HIMSELF QUESTIONING THE LESSONS HE HAS LEARNED, AND THEIR RELEVANCY TO THE PREDICAMENT HE NOW FINDS HIMSELF IN. AT THIS PIVOTAL LIFE POINT, HE MUST DECIDE WHETHER TO SIDE WITH HIS OWN KIND IN THE BELIEF THEY MAY BE RIGHT, OR TO OPPOSE THEM OUT OF SIMPLE FAITH IN WHAT HE HAS BEEN TAUGHT BY HIS PARENT.

UNLIKE MOST CHOICES HE MUST MAKE, THIS MAY BE THE MOST DIFFICULT YET, AS EITHER SIDE CAN CLAIM THAT BLOOD IS THICKER...



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BOOK TWO

SO THE
BIG CHEESE
HAS DECIDED HE
WANTS TO TALK
TURKEY, EH?

WITH MY
LOVEABLE PERSONALITY,
HOW COULD ANYONE BE
DISAGREEABLE?

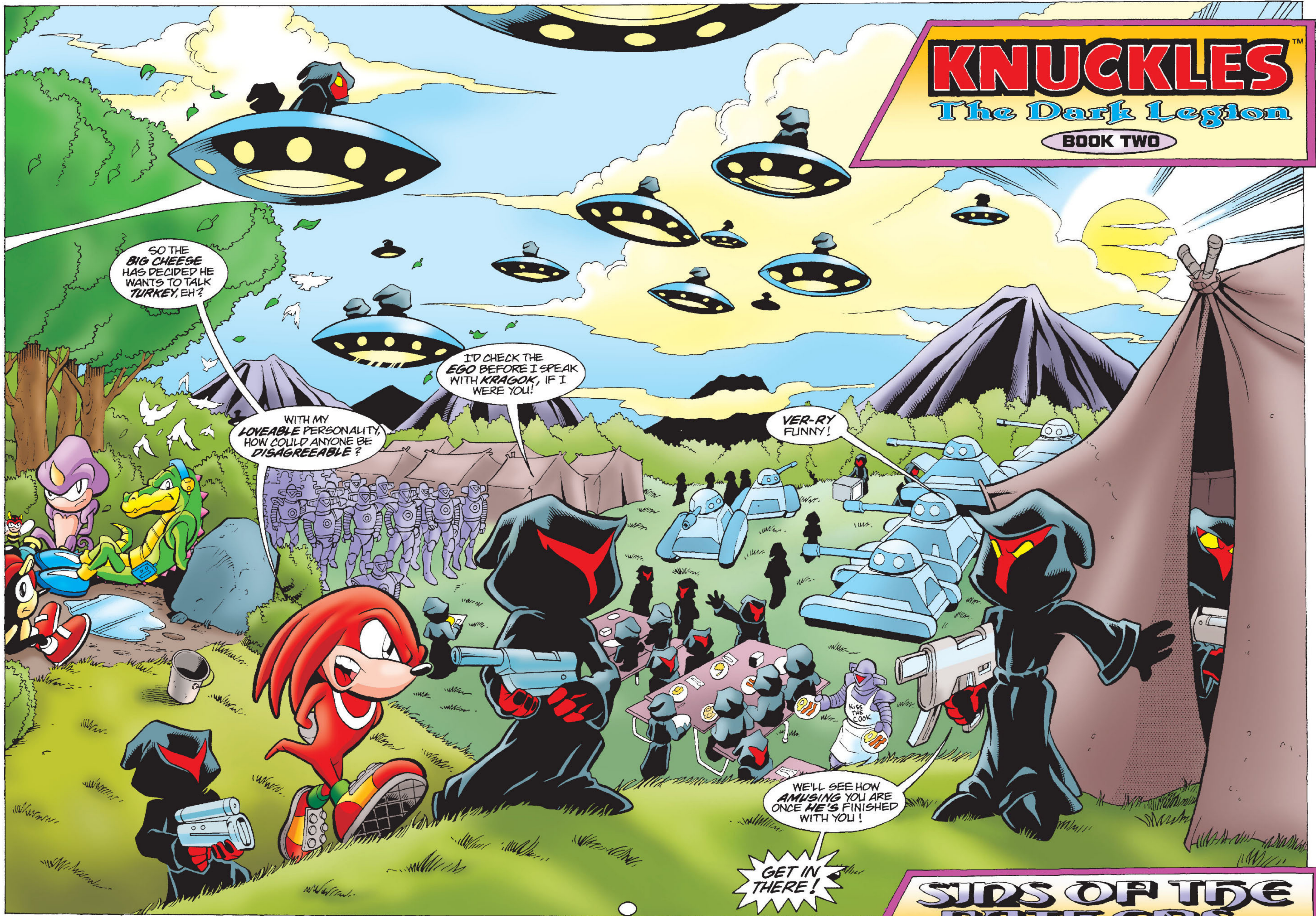
I'D CHECK THE
EGO BEFORE I SPEAK
WITH KRAGOK, IF I
WERE YOU!

VER-RY
FUNNY!

WE'LL SEE HOW
AMUSING YOU ARE
ONCE HE'S FINISHED
WITH YOU!

GET IN
THERE!

SIDS OF THE FATHERS





THERE HE IS!

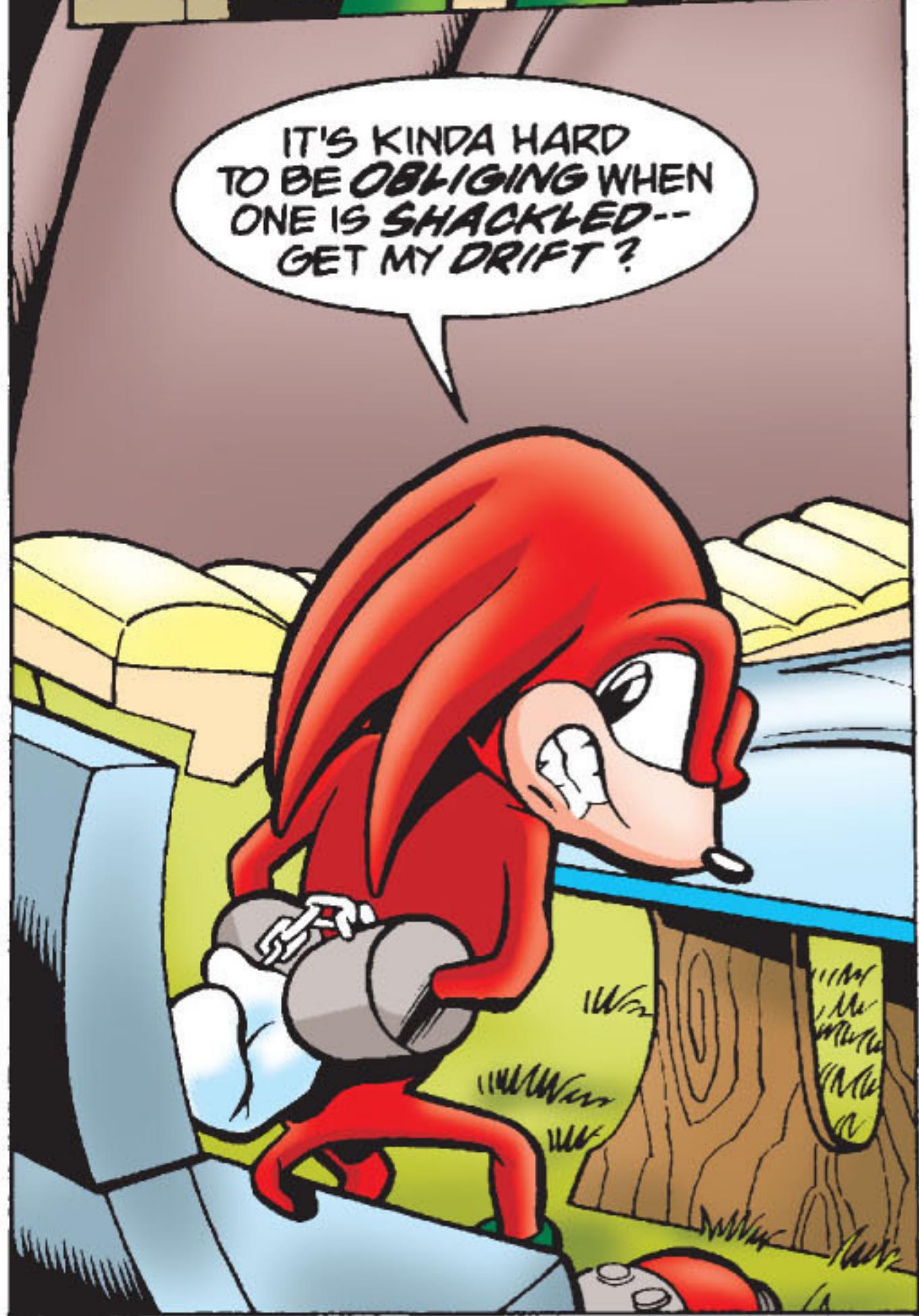
COME IN, KNUCKLES! WE'VE A LOT TO DISCUSS!



GIVING ME THE SILENT TREATMENT, EH?

THERE'S A TIME AND PLACE FOR EVERYTHING, BUT HERE AND NOW IS NEITHER THE TIME NOR THE PLACE.

SIT! SIT!



IT'S KINDA HARD TO BE OBLIGING WHEN ONE IS SHACKLED-- GET MY DRIFT?



RELEASE HIM!

LEST YOU GET ANY FOOLISH NOTIONS, REMEMBER--MY MEN WON'T HESITATE TO TAKE ACTION!

NOW THEN-- WHERE SHALL WE BEGIN?

SNAP!



THE PAST:

MY QUEEN, THE SITUATION CONCERNING THE ECHIDNAS GROWS WORSE!

WE'VE DONE ALL THAT WE CAN, CHRISTOPHELES!

WHAT MORE CAN WE DO?



THEY APPOINTED ONE OF THEIR OWN TO ACT AS A SAFEGUARD FROM THEMSELVES AND THEIR OWN TECHNOLOGY!



THAT MAY BE THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM, M'LADY!

THERE ISN'T ANY PRECEDENCE FOR HIS STATION AMONGST HIS PEOPLE!

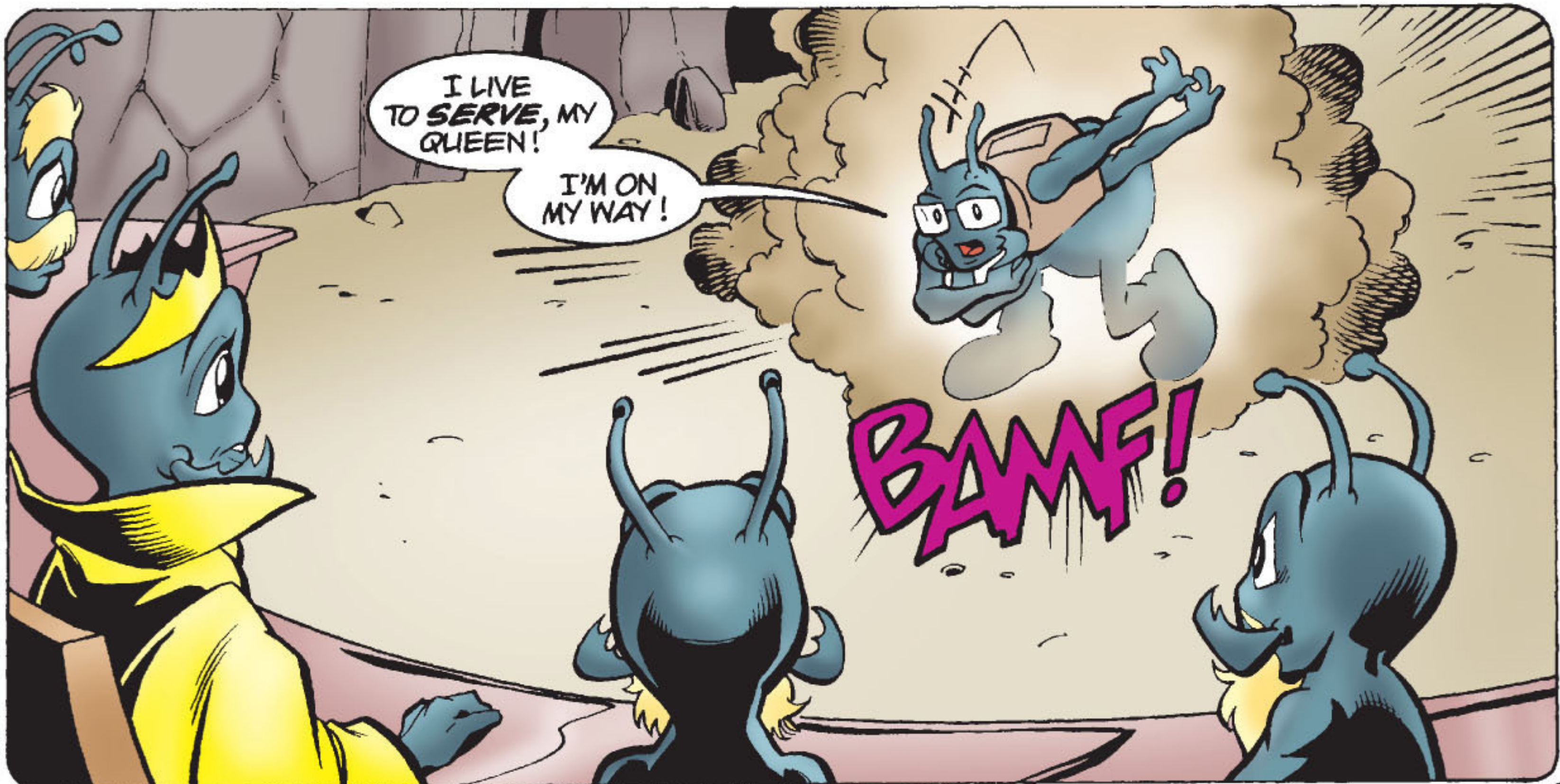


PERHAPS IF HE HAD A GUIDE---

SOMEONE WITH EXPERIENCE SUCH AS THOSE IN THIS CHAMBER!

ANY VOLUNTEERS---

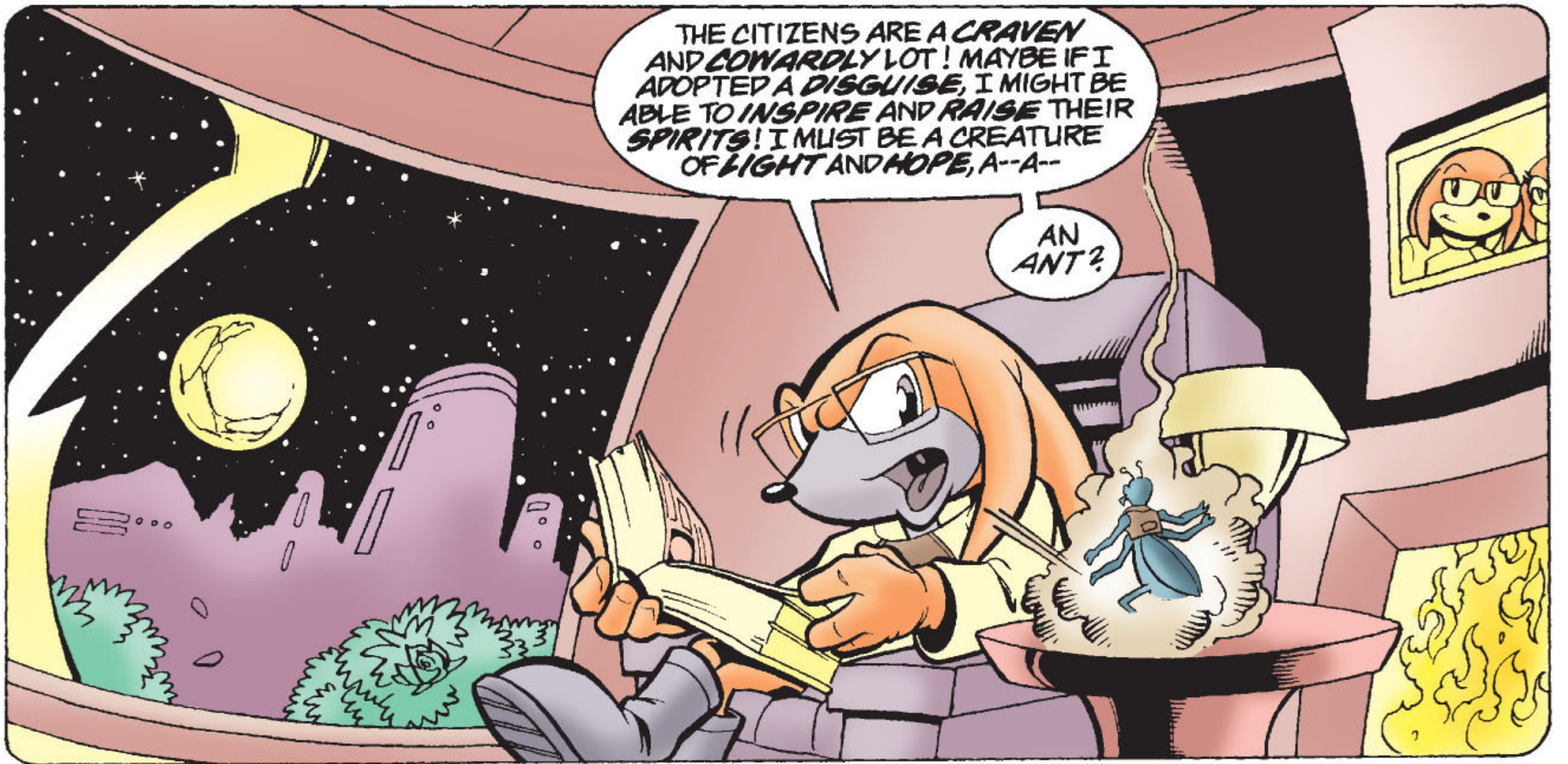
CHRISTOPHELES?



I LIVE TO SERVE, MY QUEEN!

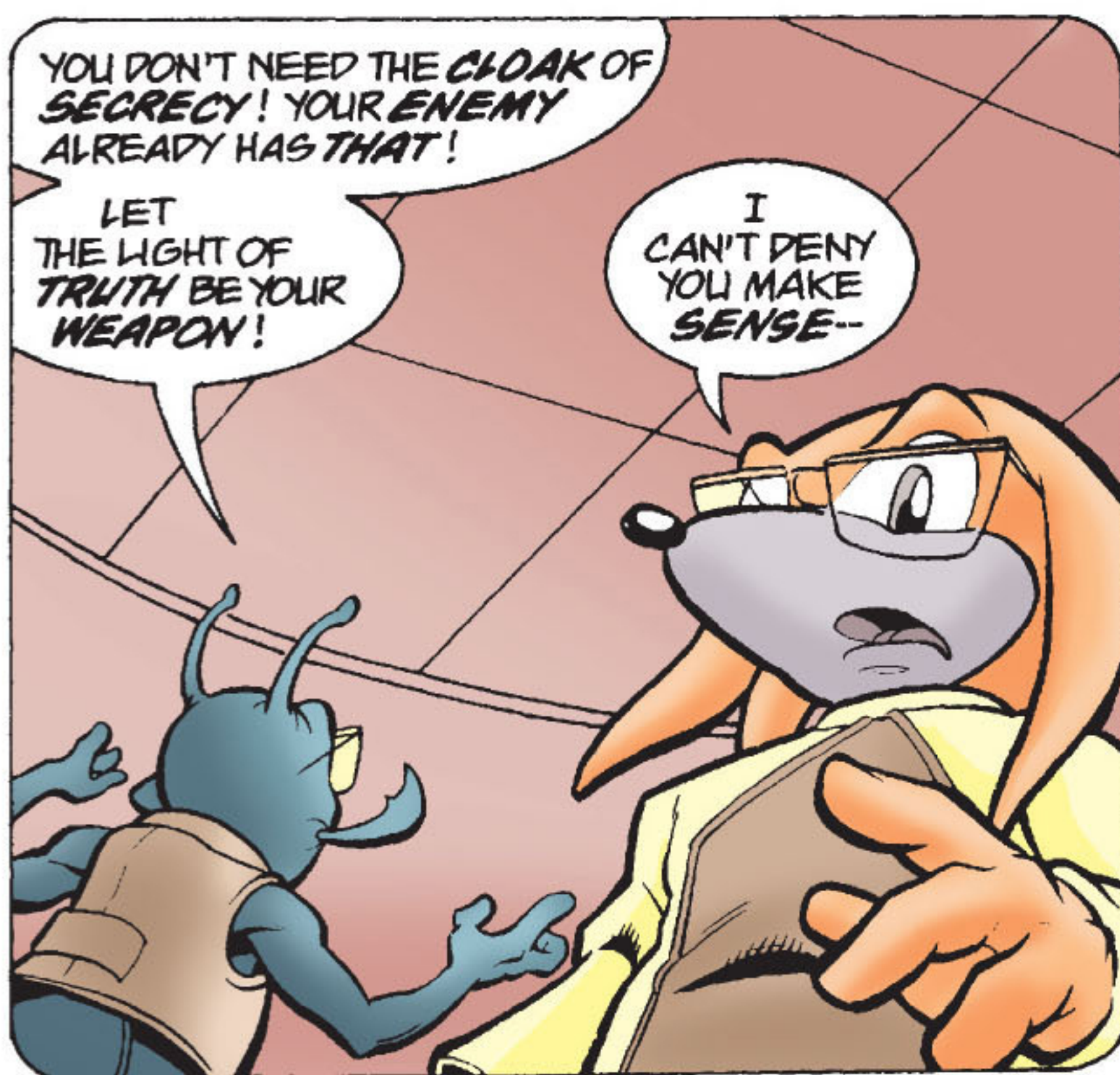
I'M ON MY WAY!

BAMF!



THE CITIZENS ARE A CRAVEN AND COWARDLY LOT! MAYBE IF I ADOPTED A DISGUISE, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO INSPIRE AND RAISE THEIR SPIRITS! I MUST BE A CREATURE OF LIGHT AND HOPE, A--A--

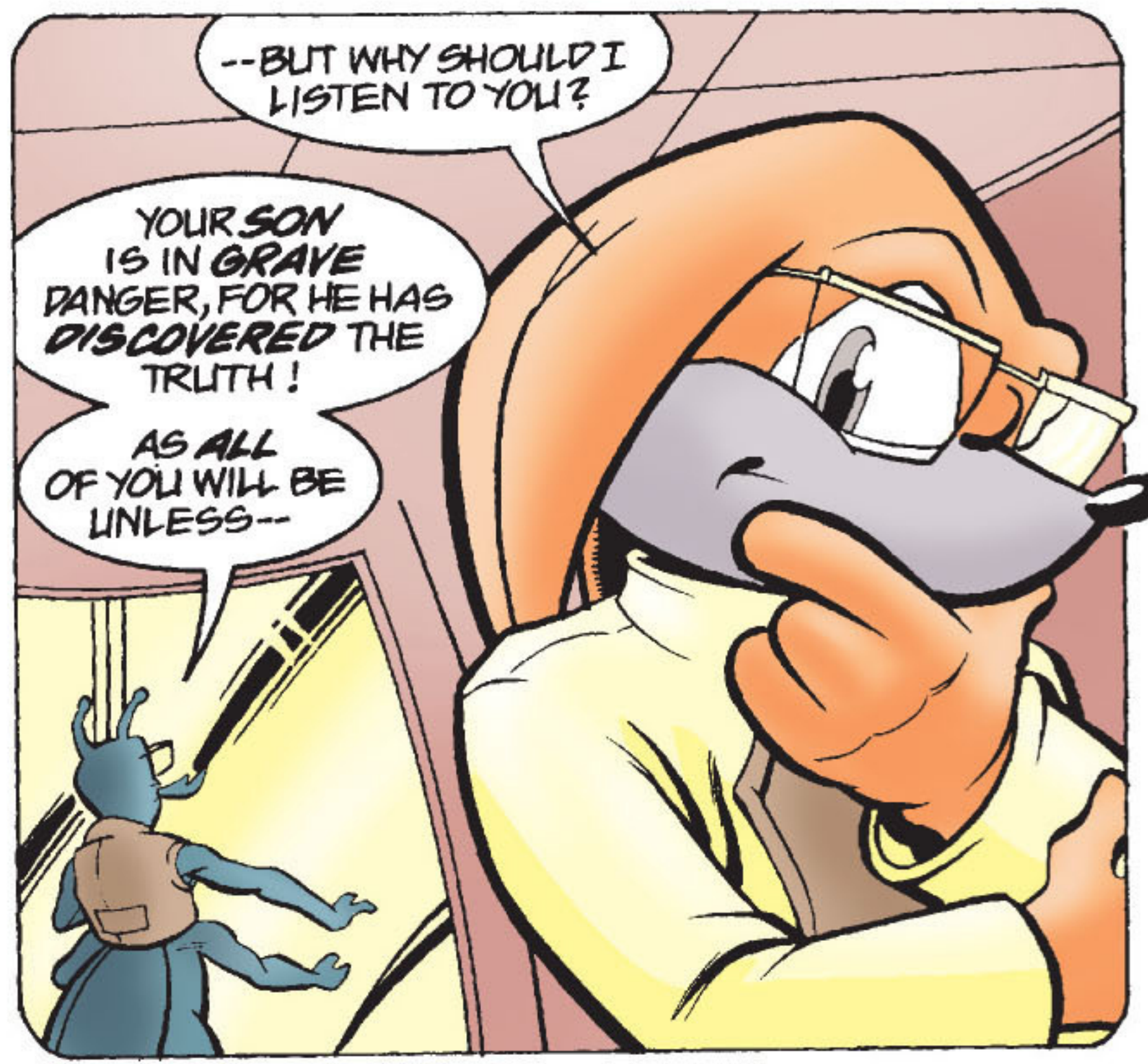
AN ANT?



YOU DON'T NEED THE CLOAK OF SECRECY! YOUR ENEMY ALREADY HAS THAT!

LET THE LIGHT OF TRUTH BE YOUR WEAPON!

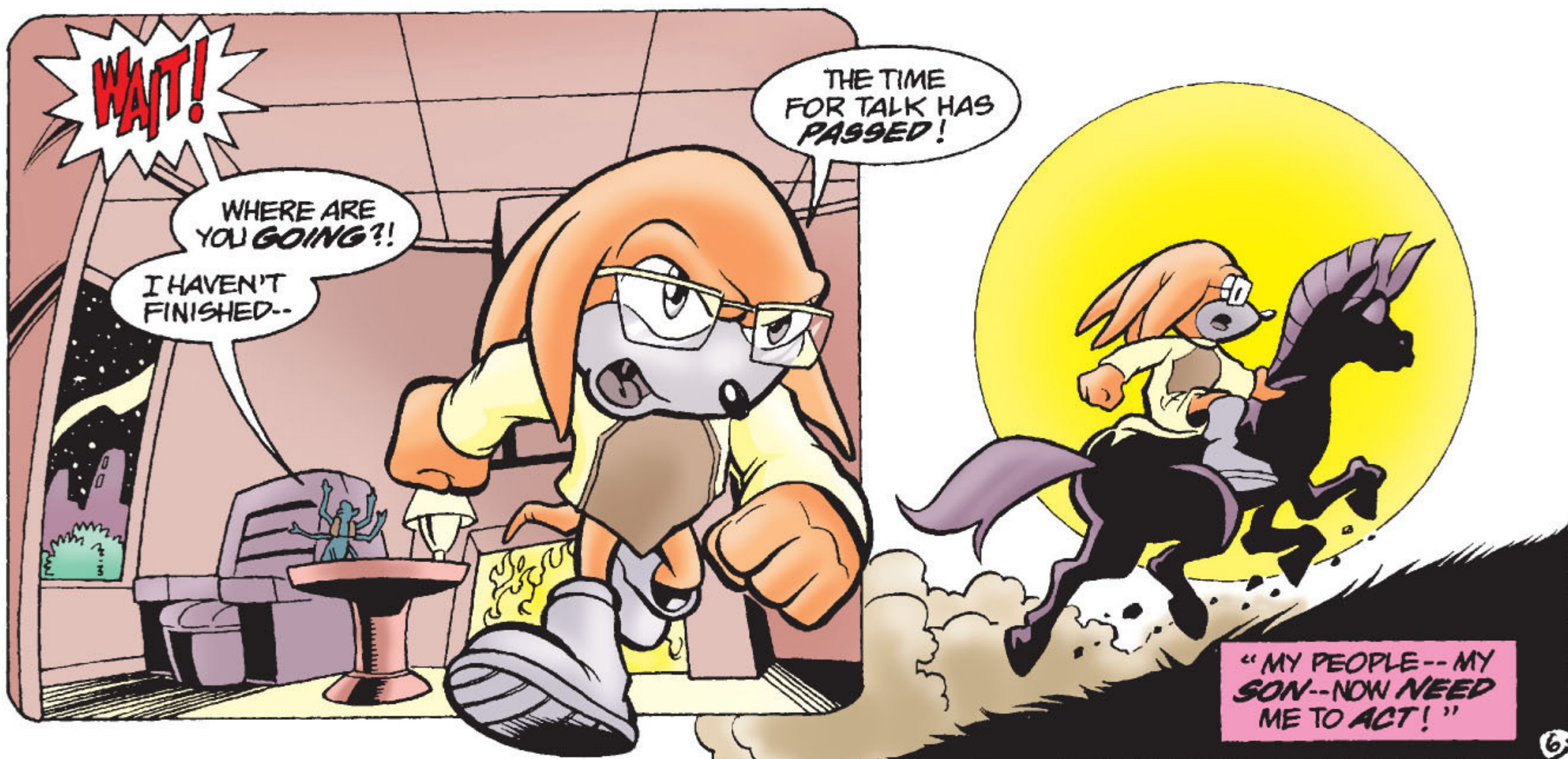
I CAN'T DENY YOU MAKE SENSE--



--BUT WHY SHOULD I LISTEN TO YOU?

YOUR SON IS IN GRAVE DANGER, FOR HE HAS DISCOVERED THE TRUTH!

AS ALL OF YOU WILL BE UNLESS--



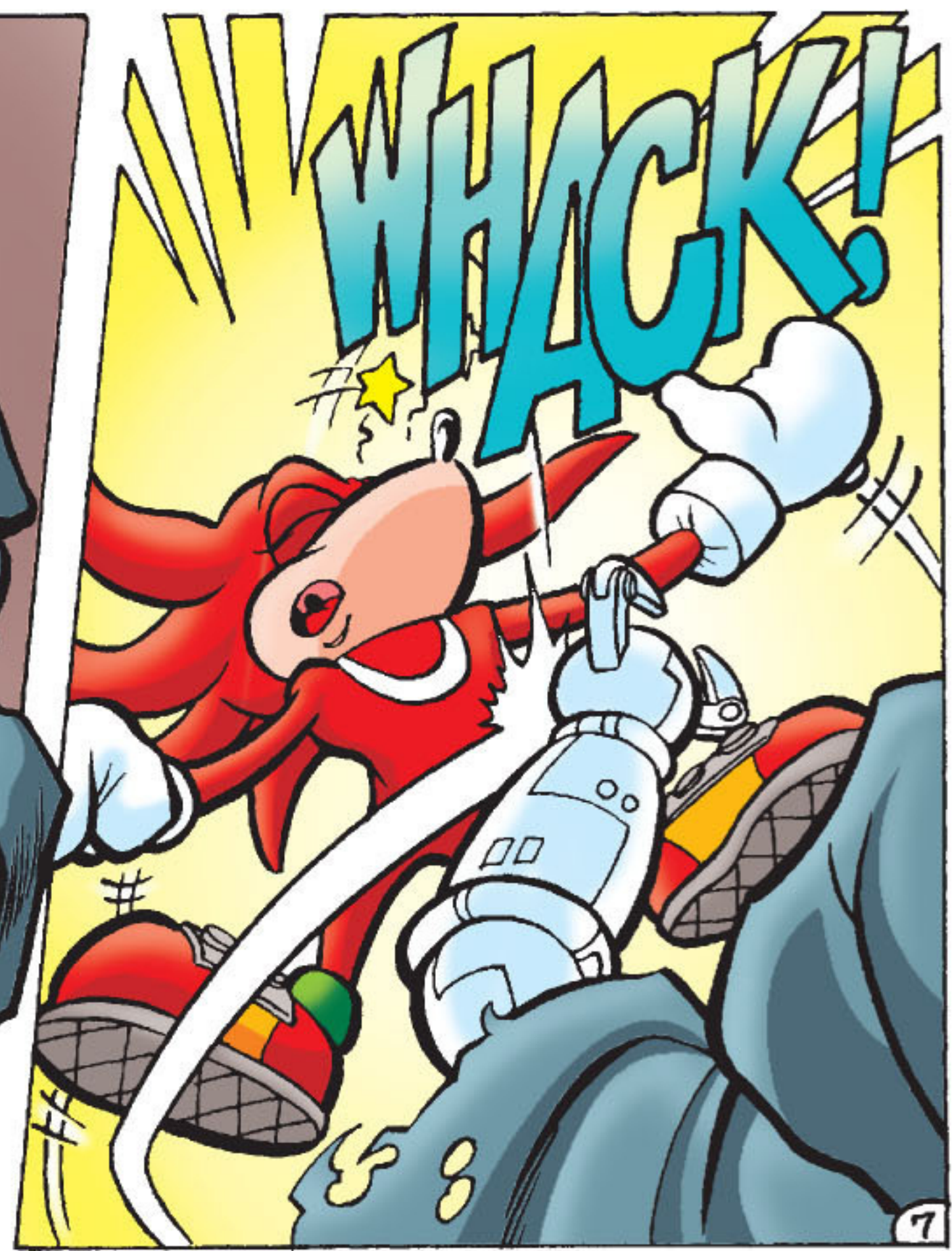
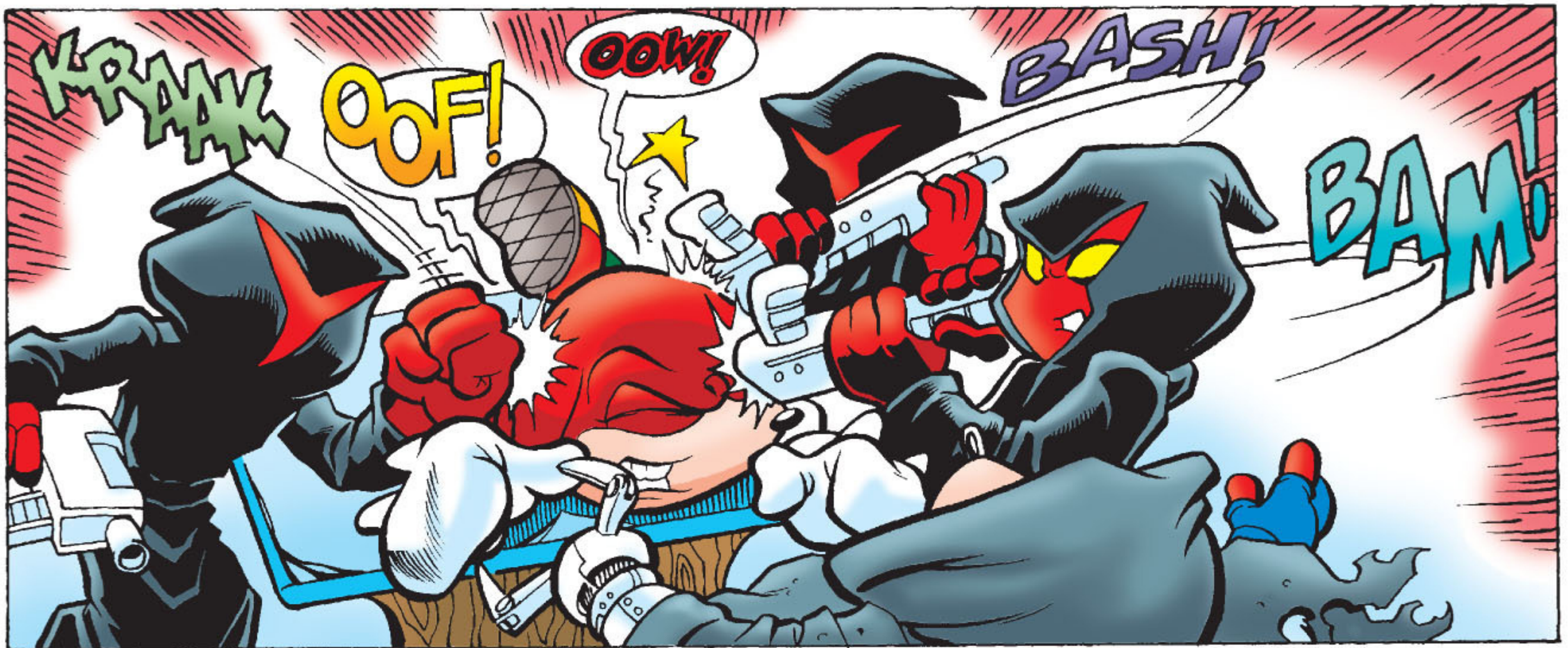
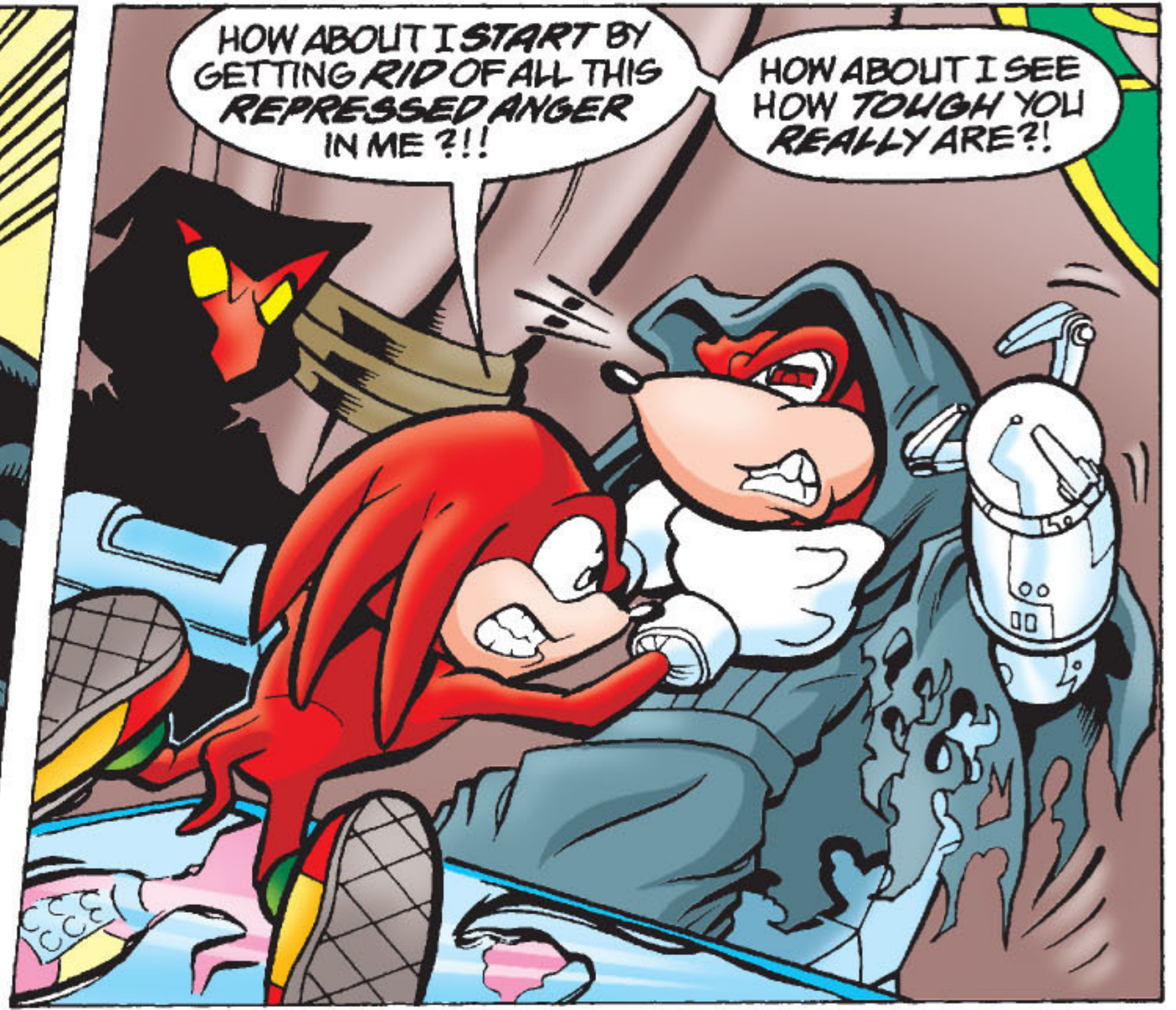
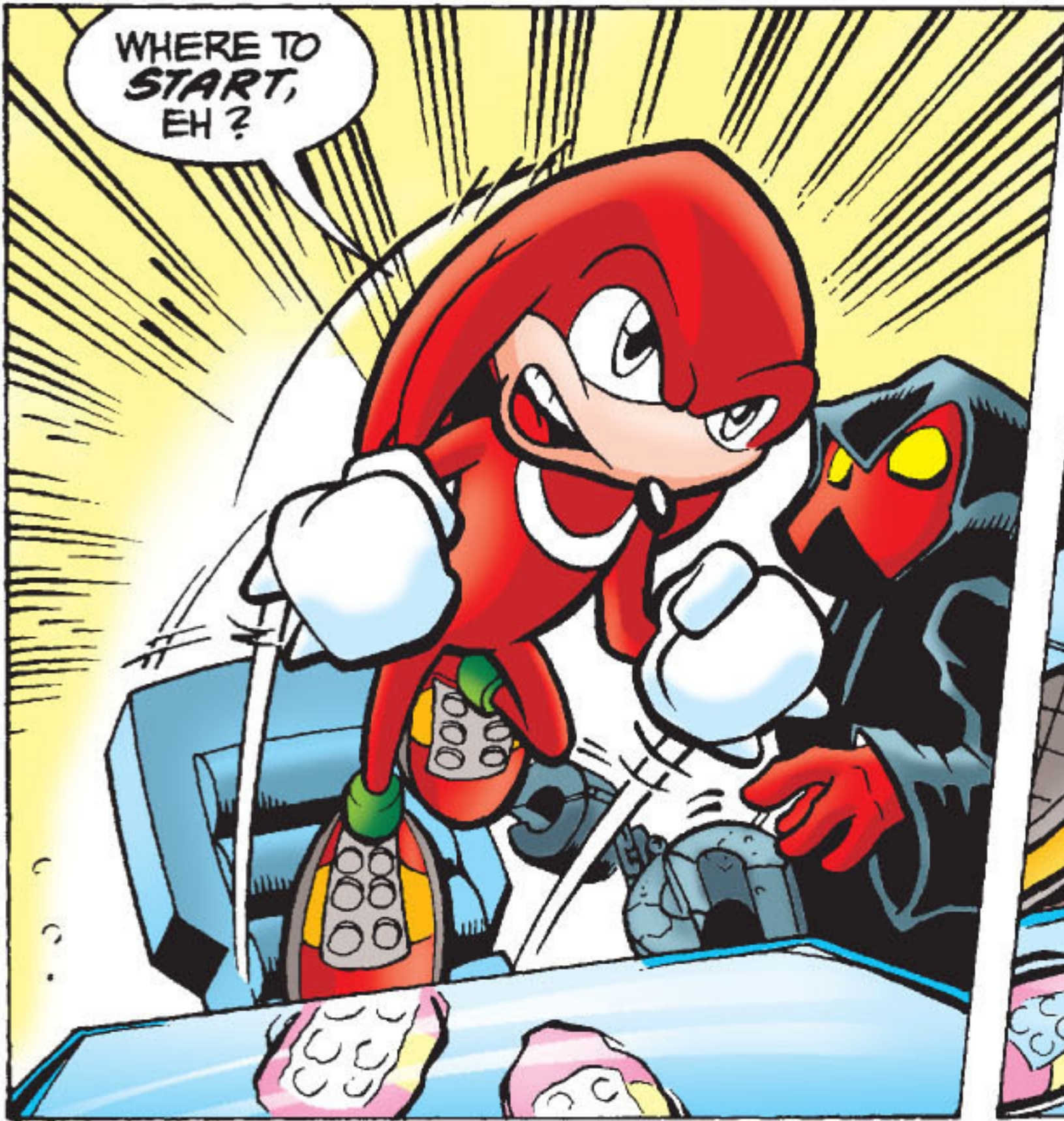
WAIT!

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?!

I HAVEN'T FINISHED--

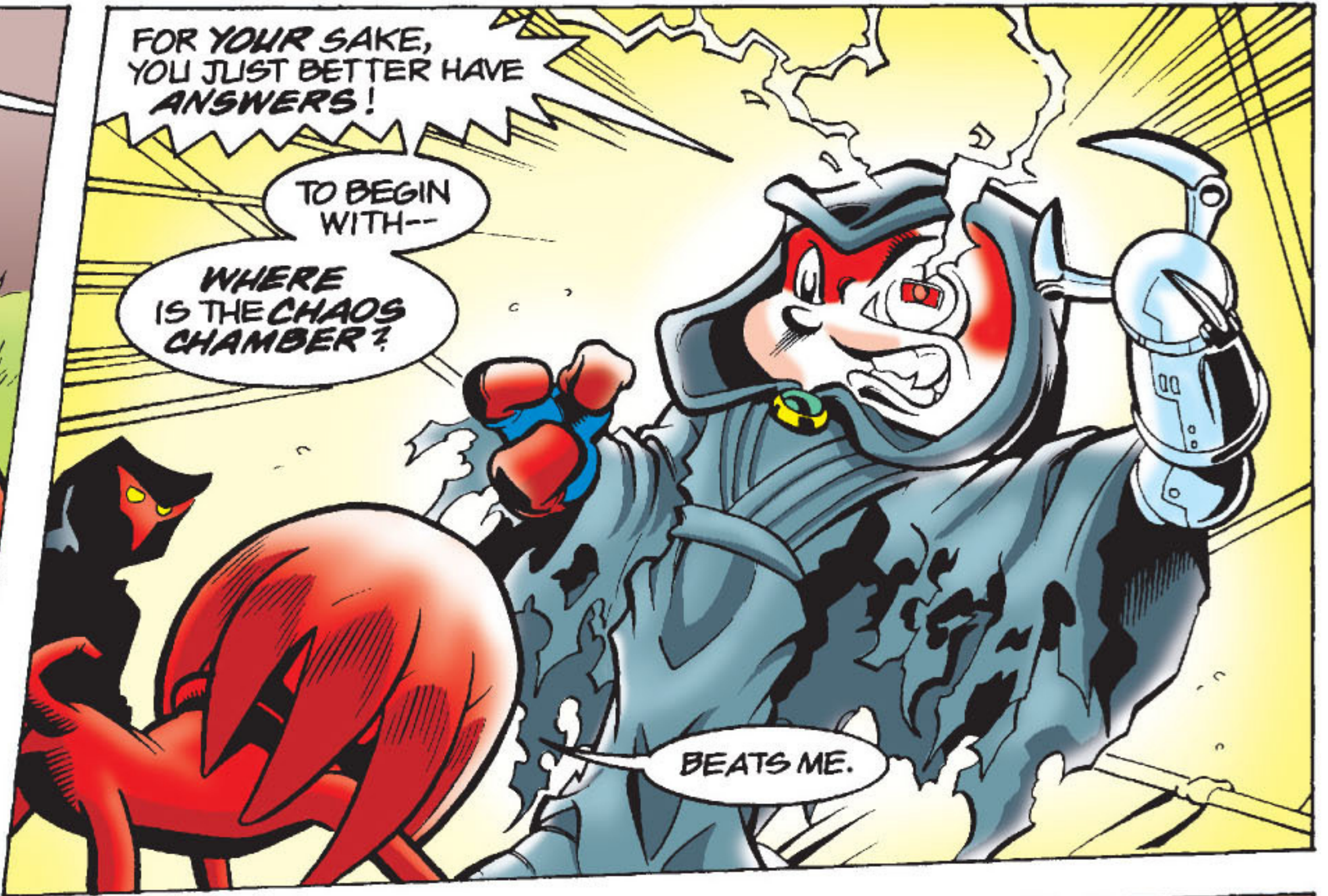
THE TIME FOR TALK HAS PASSED!

"MY PEOPLE-- MY SON-- NOW NEED ME TO ACT!"





I'M THE ONE WHO ASKS THE QUESTIONS HERE!

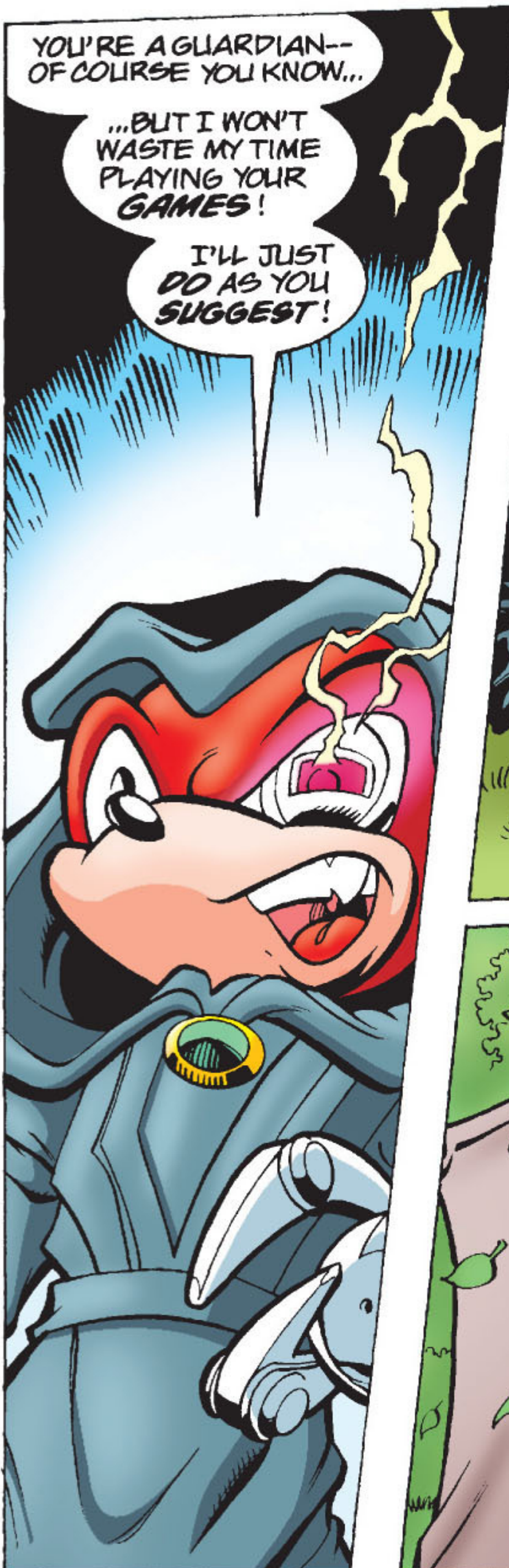


FOR YOUR SAKE, YOU JUST BETTER HAVE ANSWERS!

TO BEGIN WITH--

WHERE IS THE CHAOS CHAMBER?

BEATS ME.



YOU'RE A GUARDIAN-- OF COURSE YOU KNOW...

...BUT I WON'T WASTE MY TIME PLAYING YOUR GAMES!

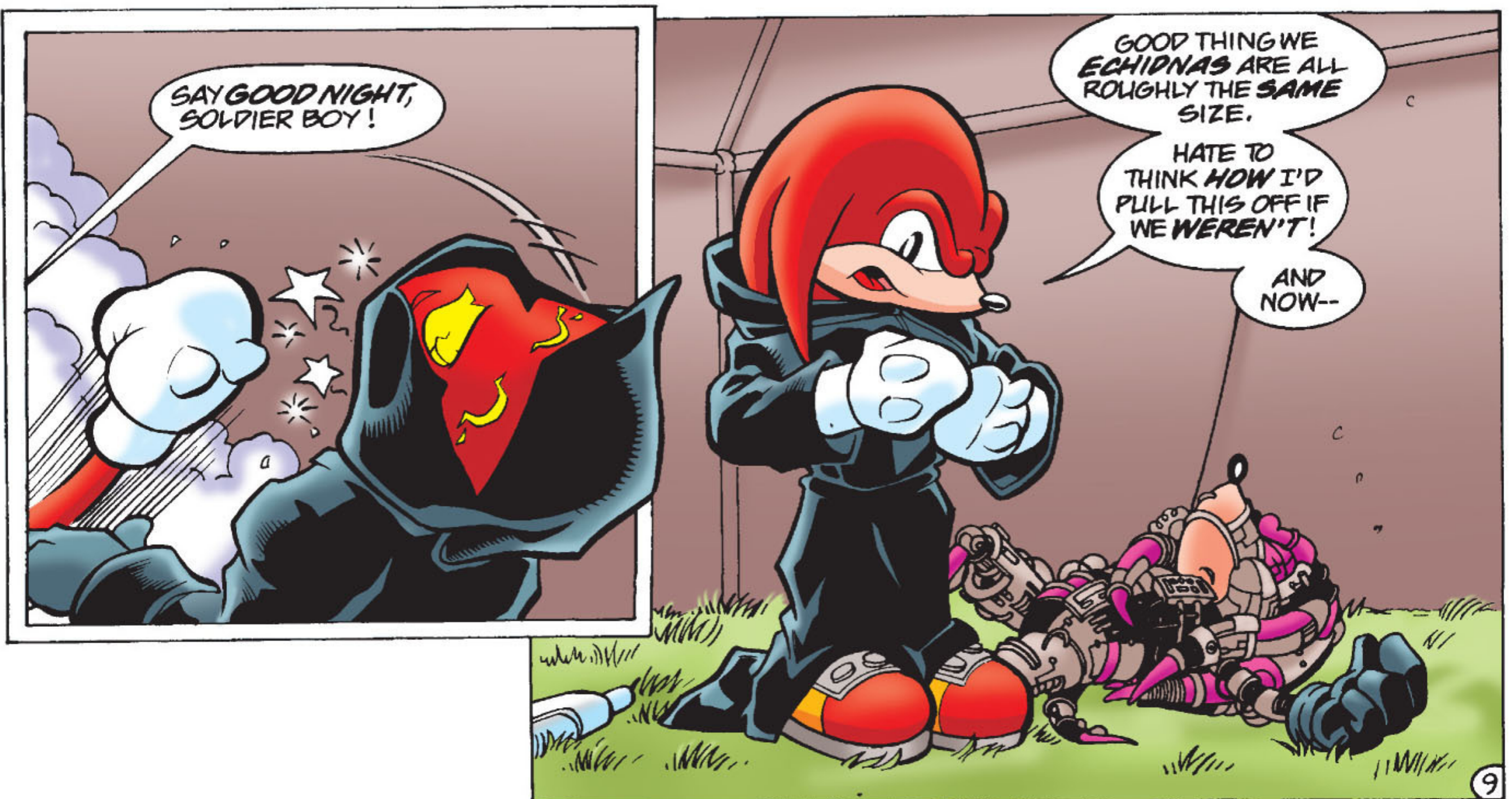
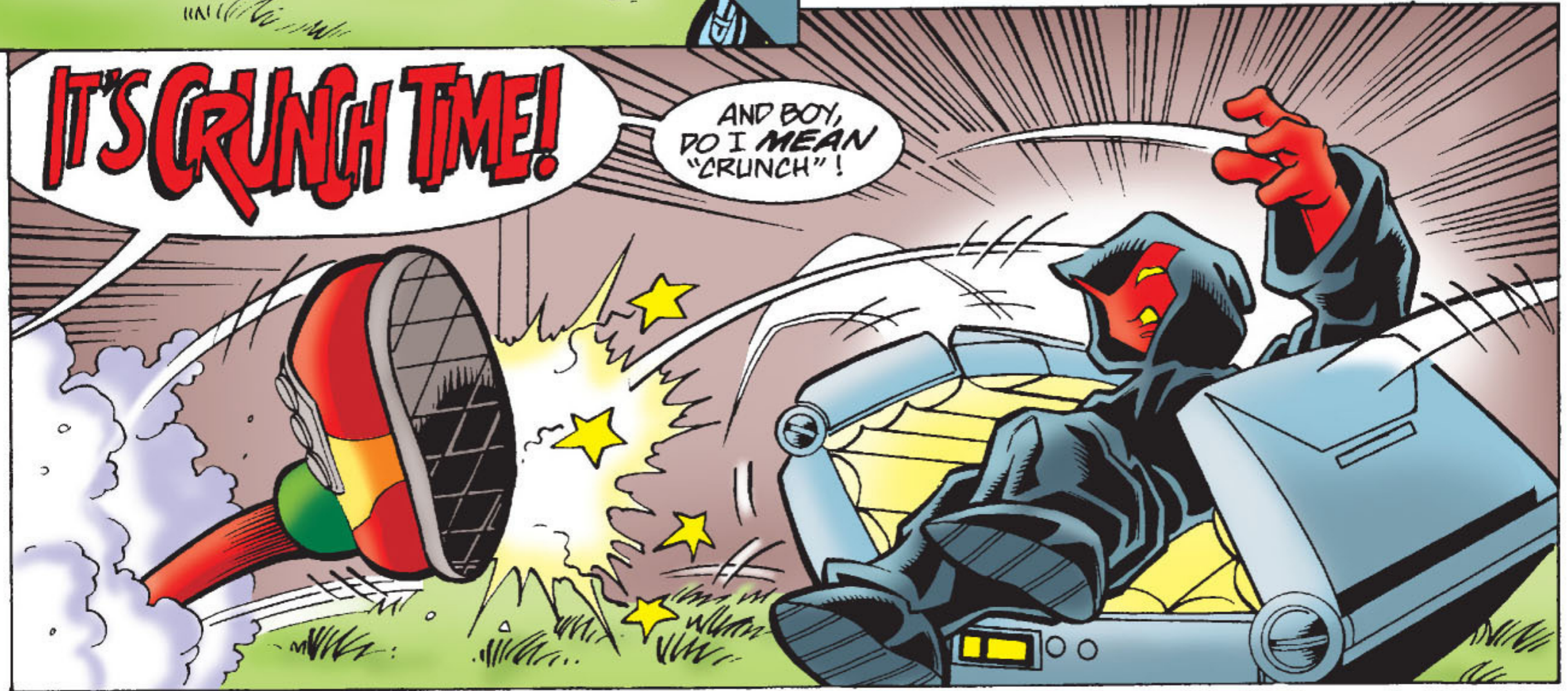
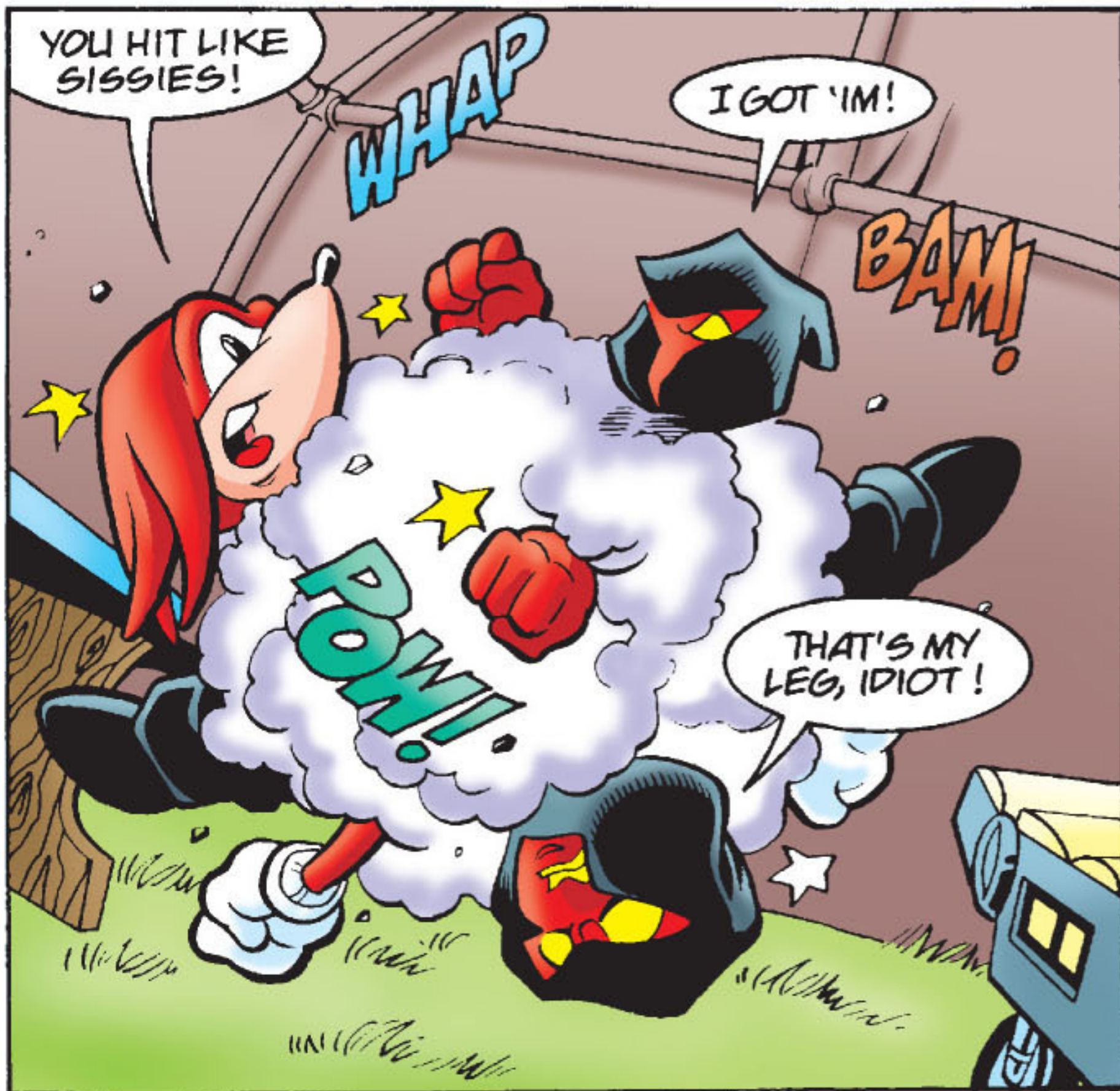
I'LL JUST DO AS YOU SUGGEST!

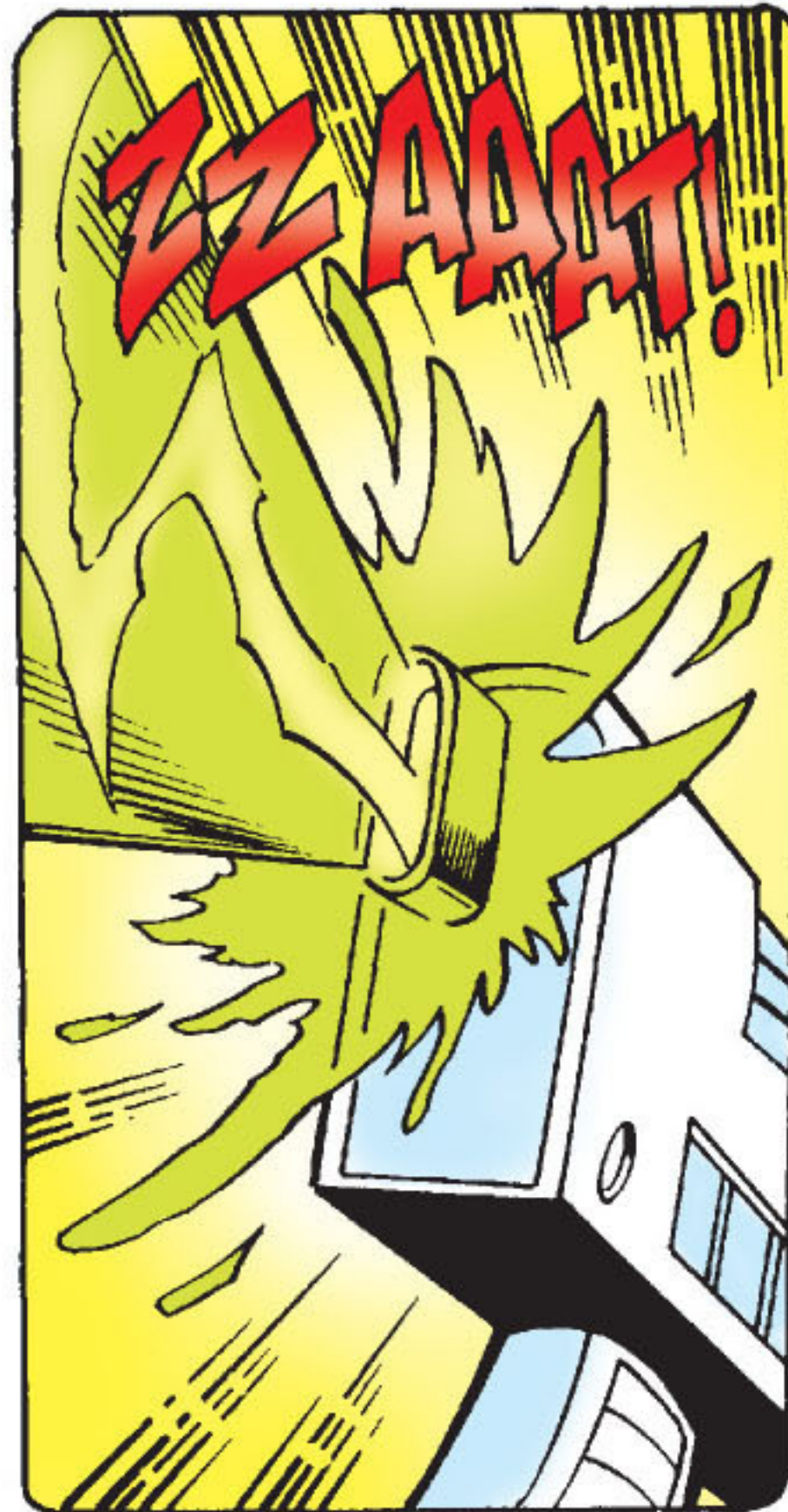


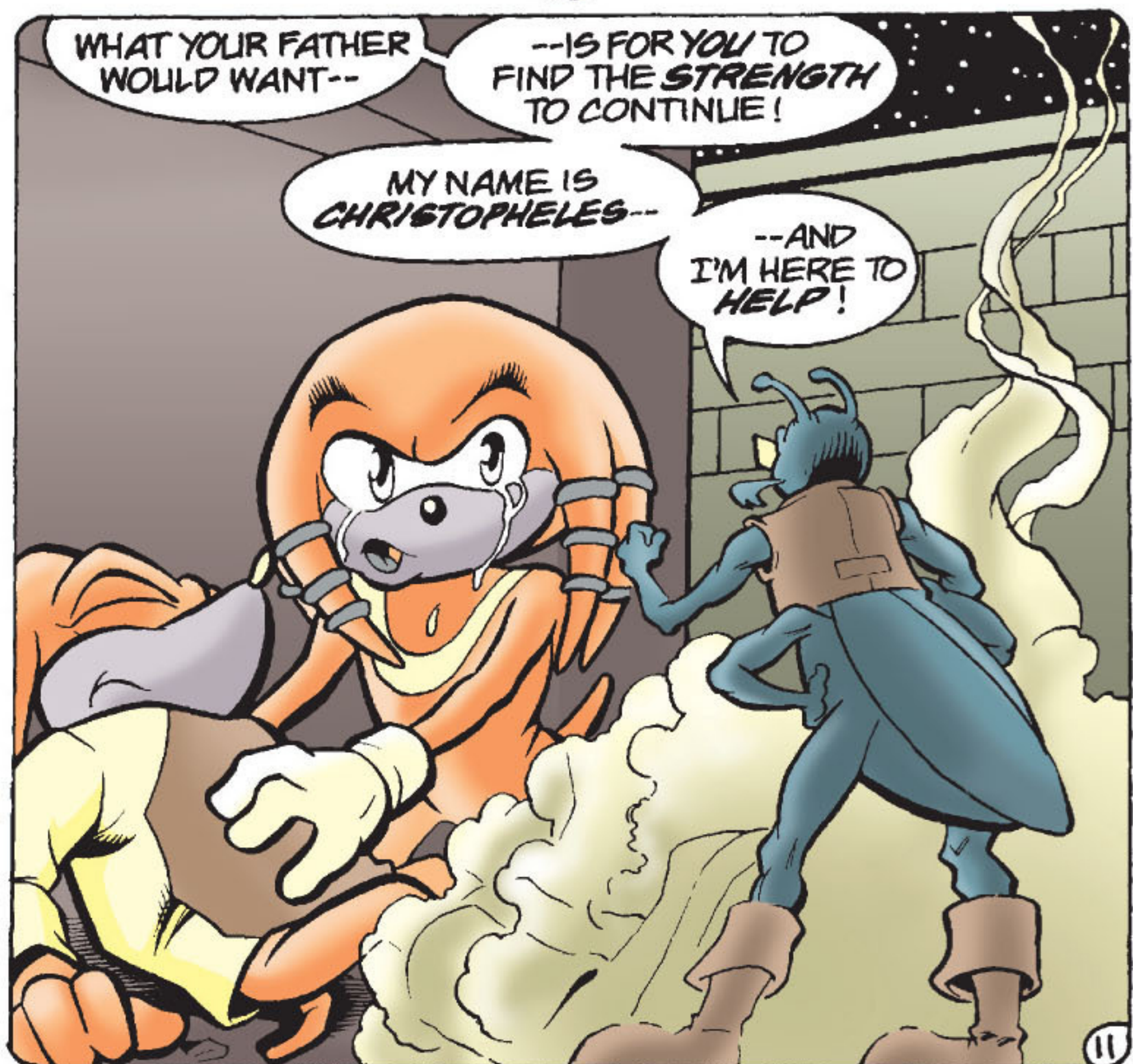
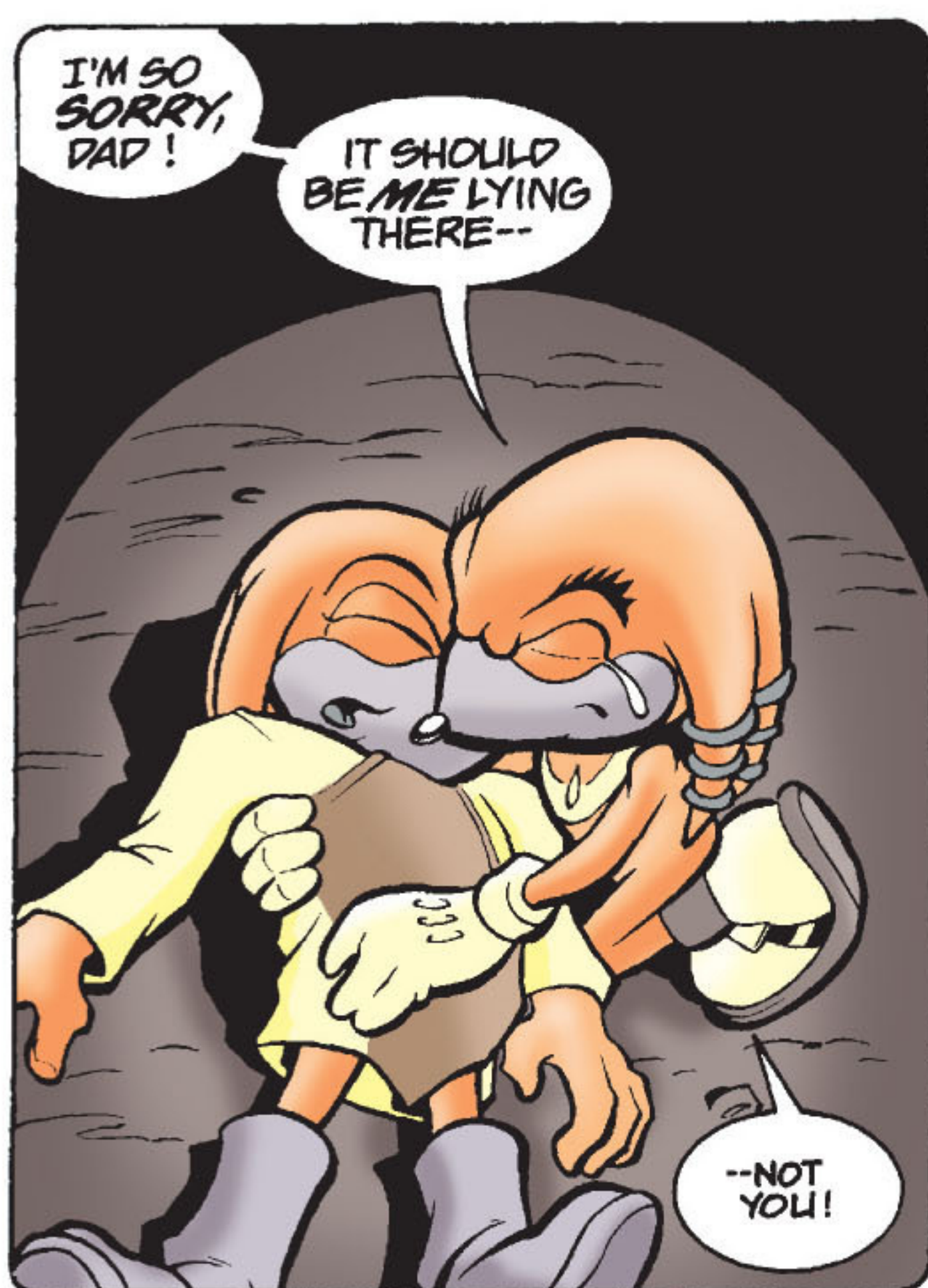
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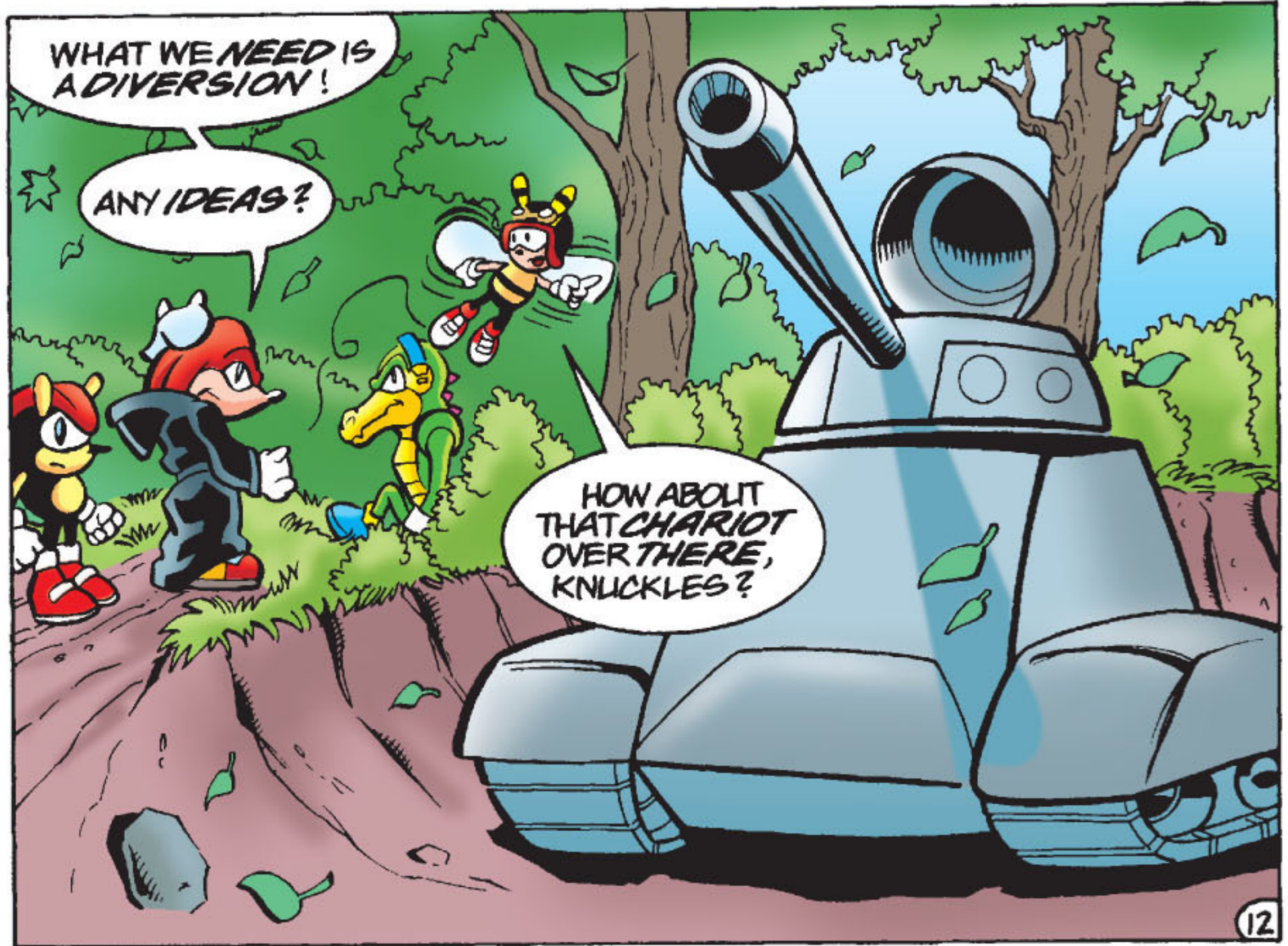
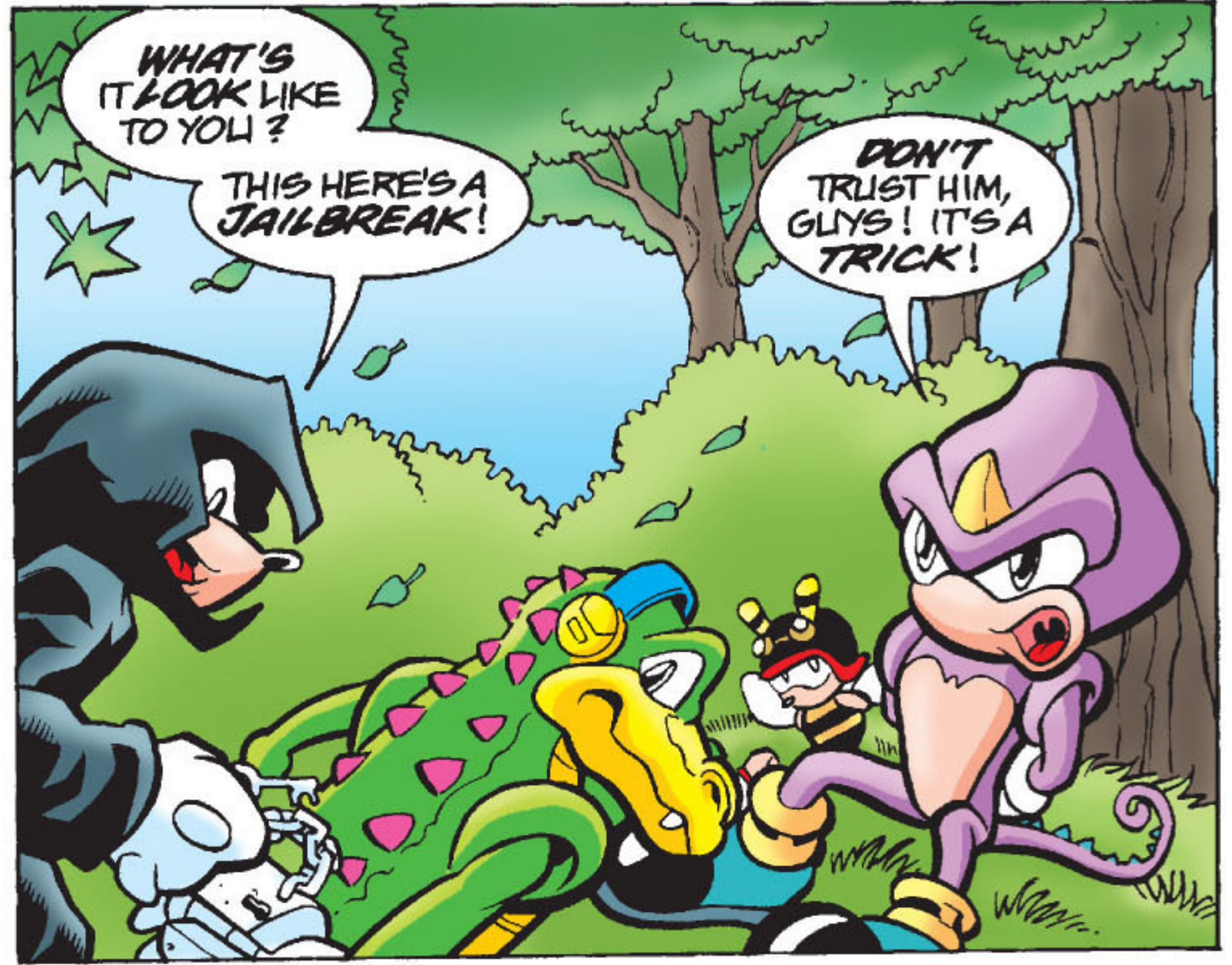
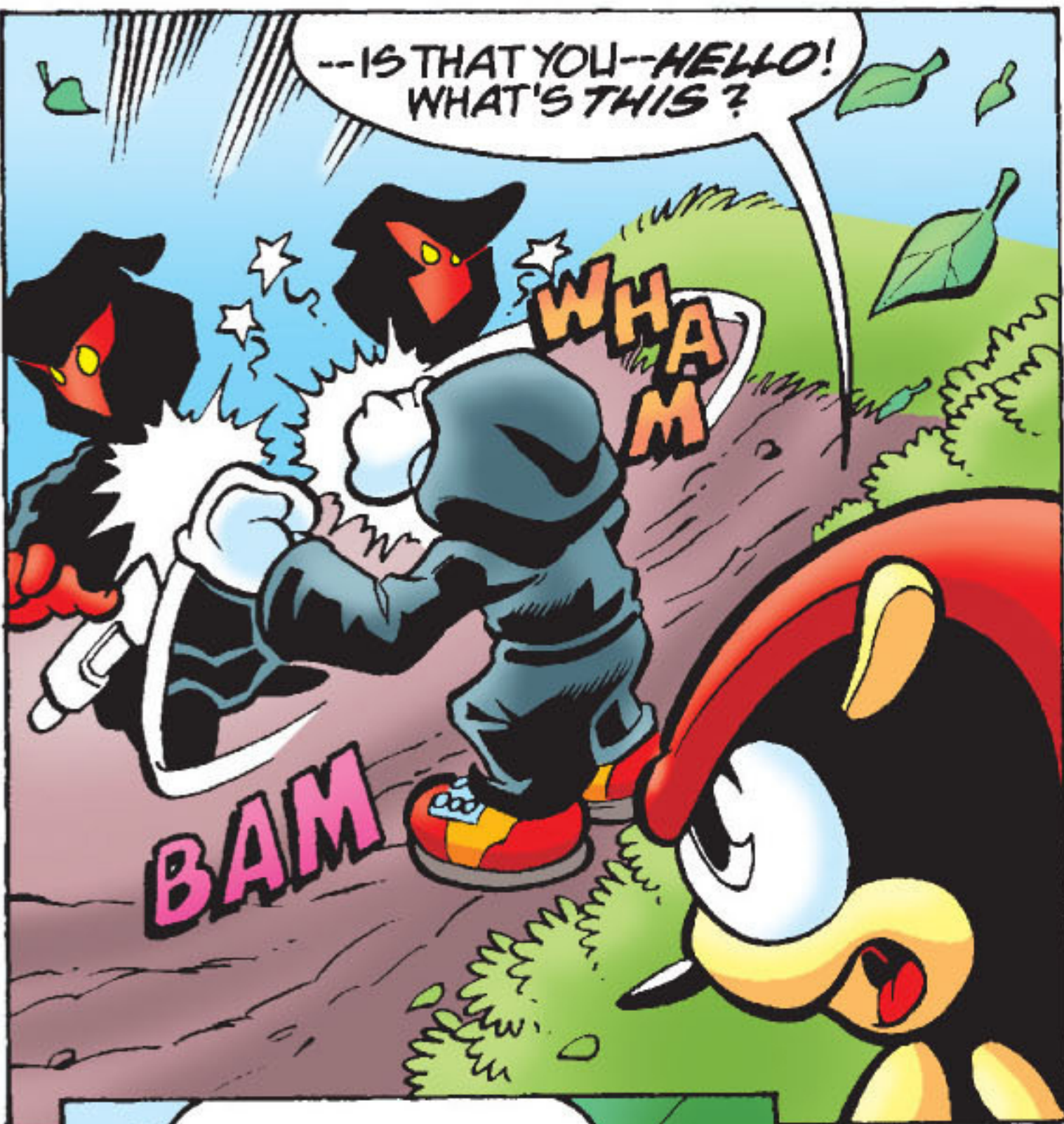
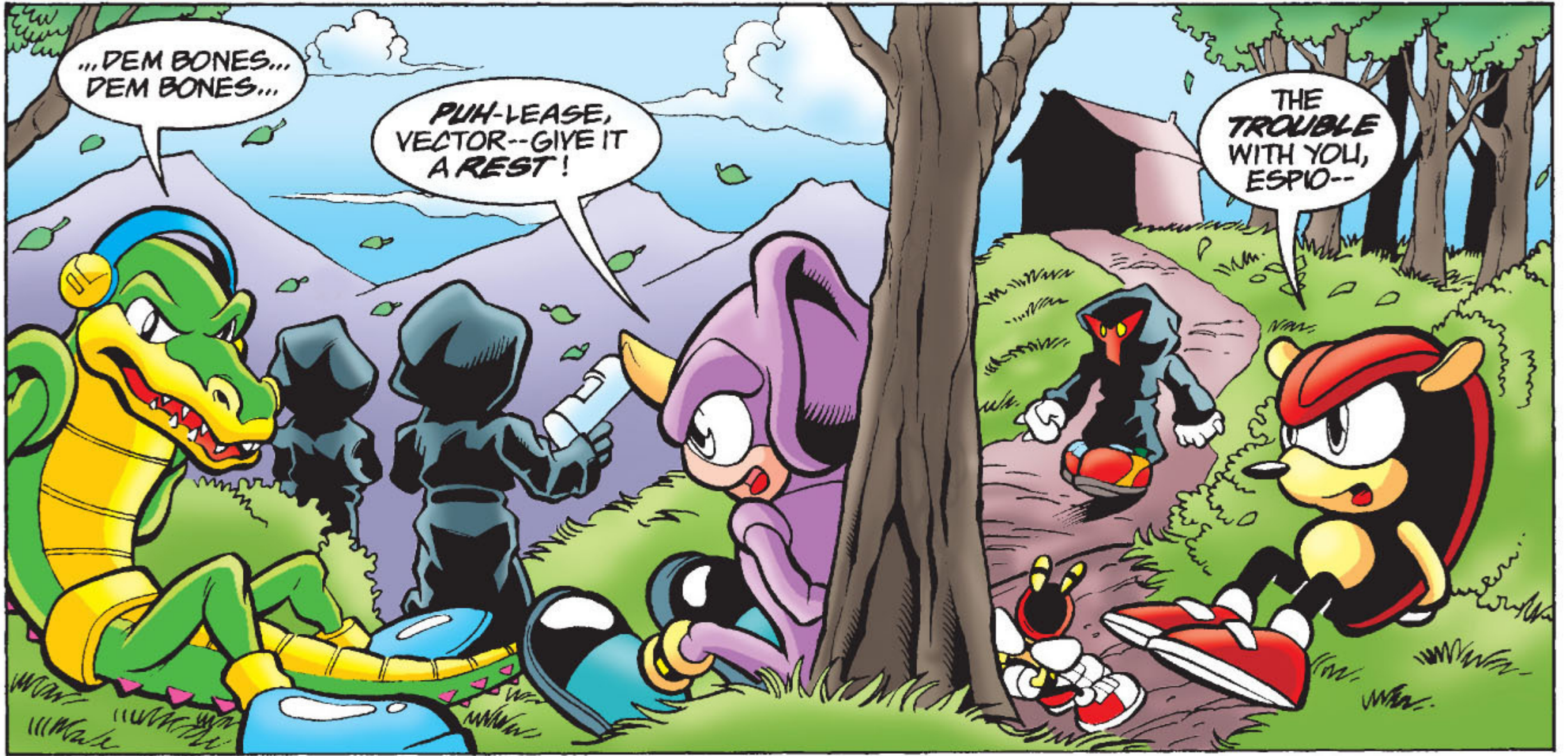


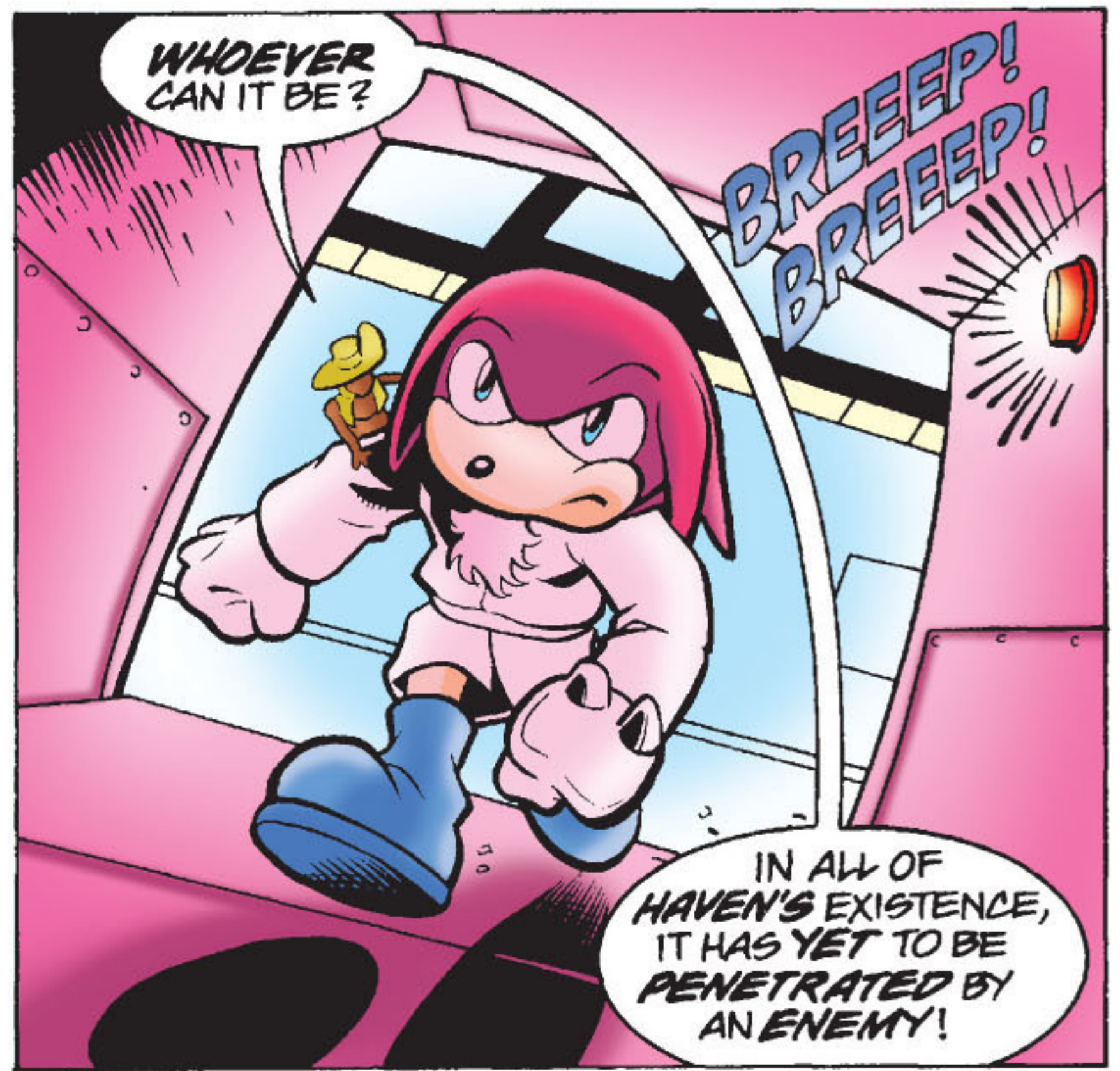
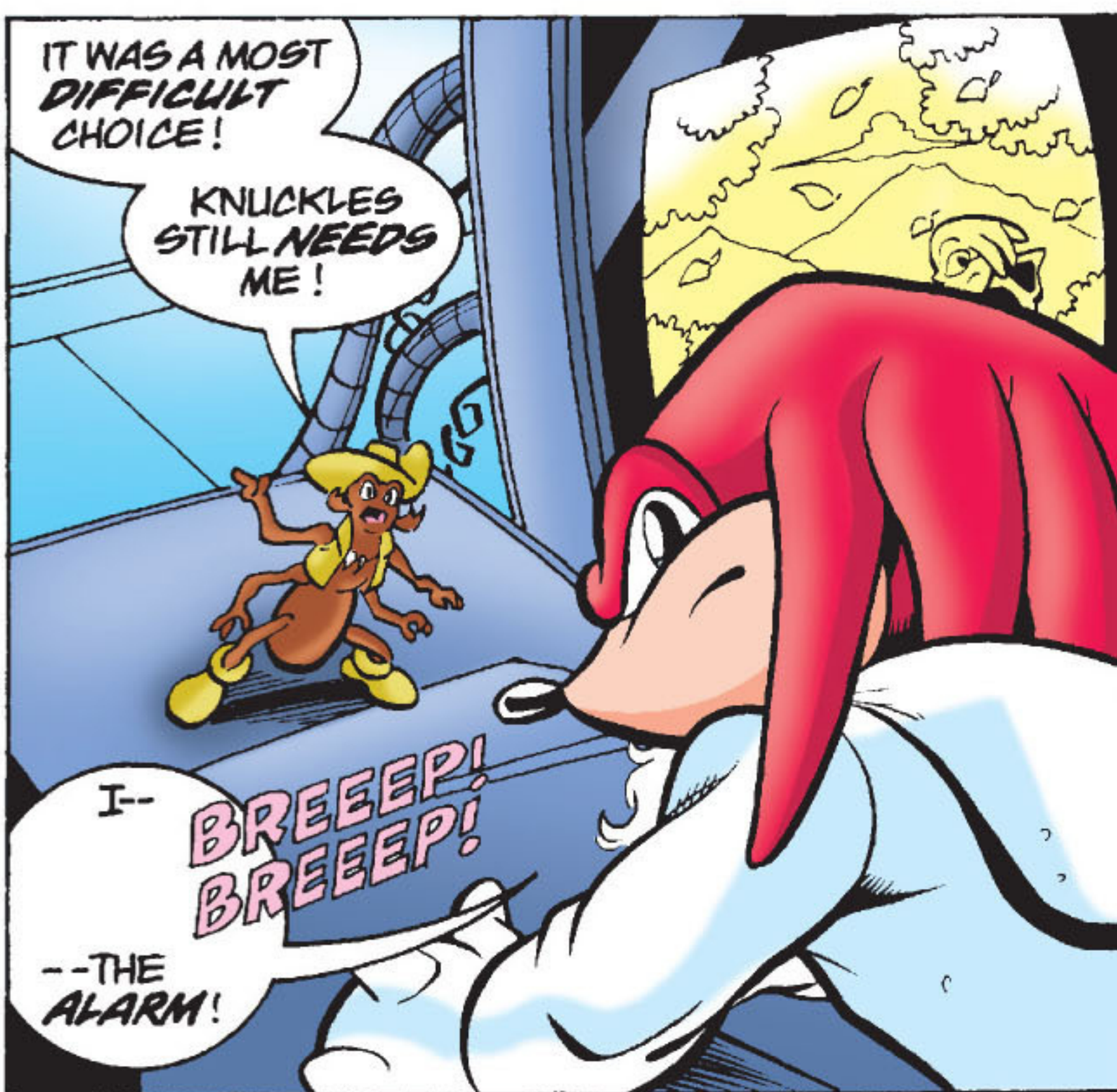
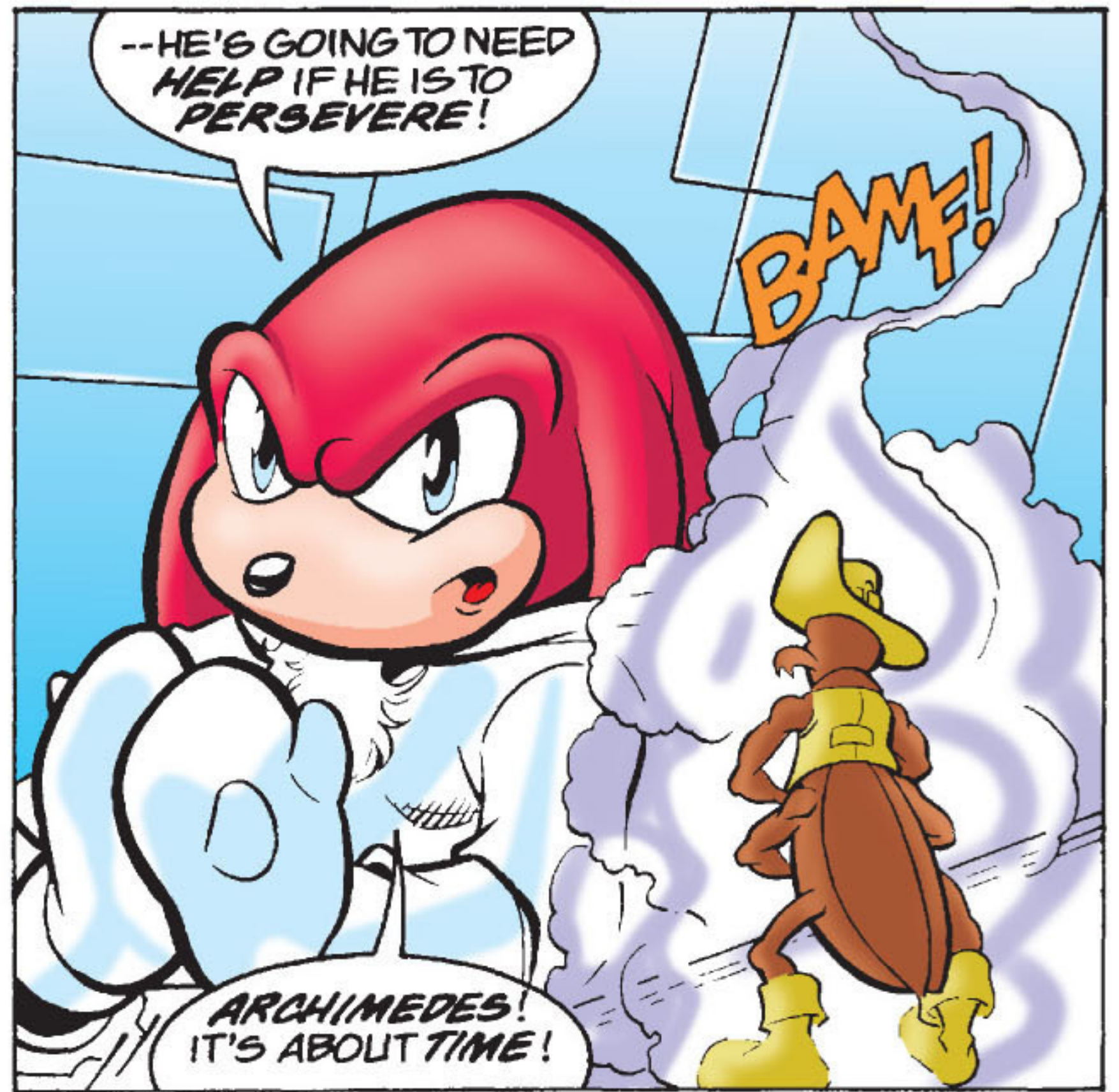
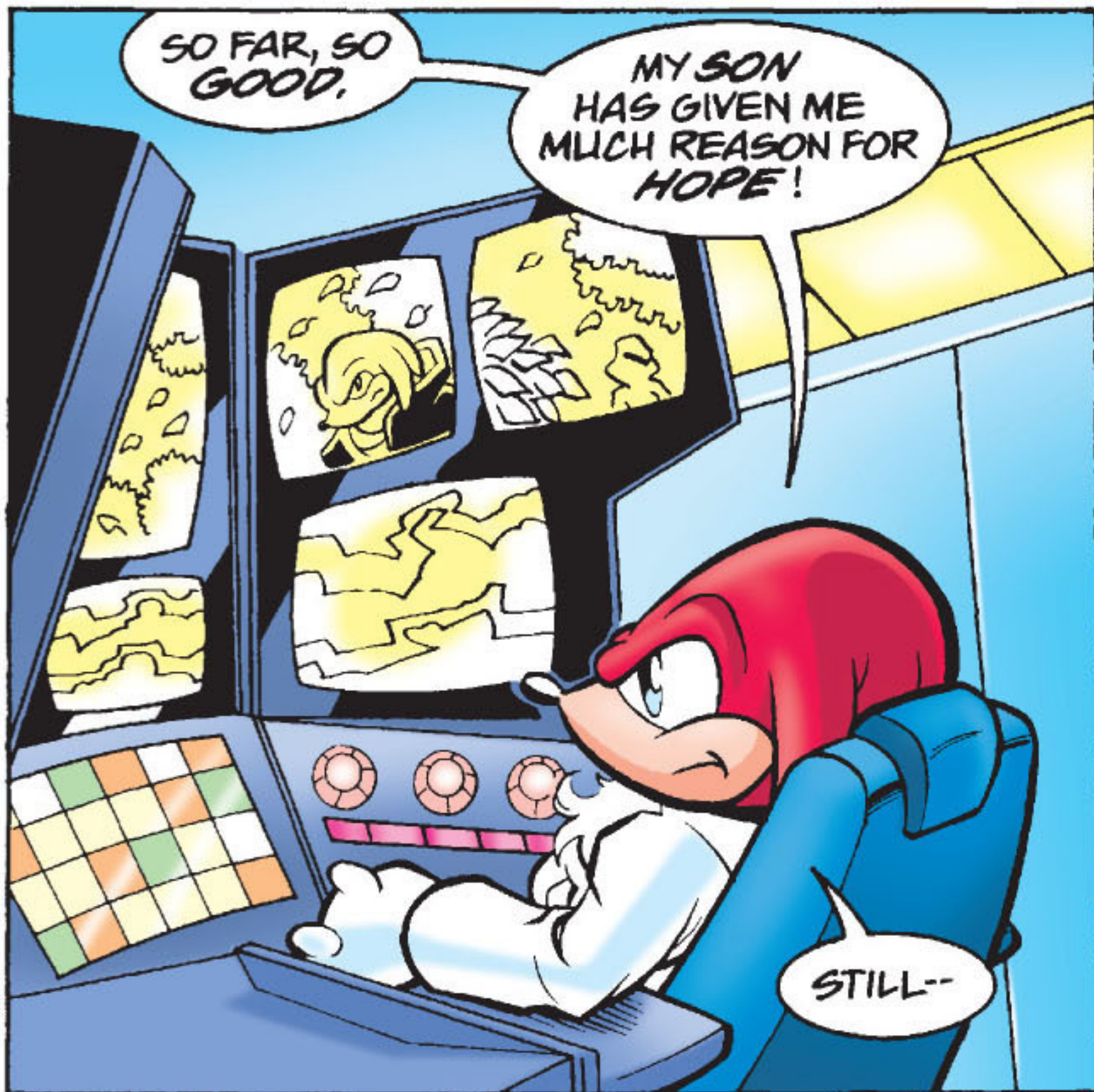
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BASH KRAAK
THWAM

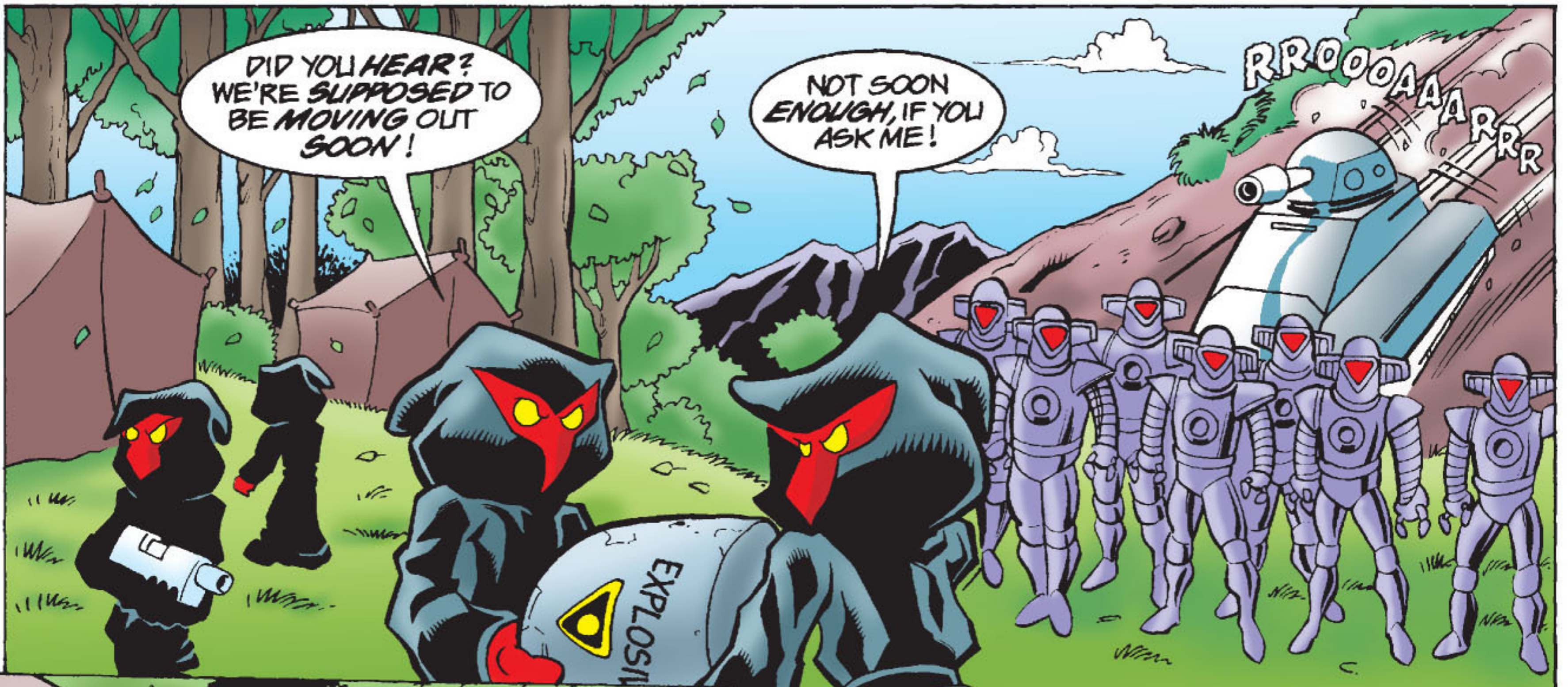












DID YOU HEAR?
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO
BE MOVING OUT
SOON!

NOT SOON
ENOUGH, IF YOU
ASK ME!

RRROOOAAAARRR



WHOA!
CHECK THIS
OUT!!

KRAGOK'S GONNA
HAVE SOMEONE'S HEAD
FOR THIS!

SKA-
RUUNCH

SKRUNCH

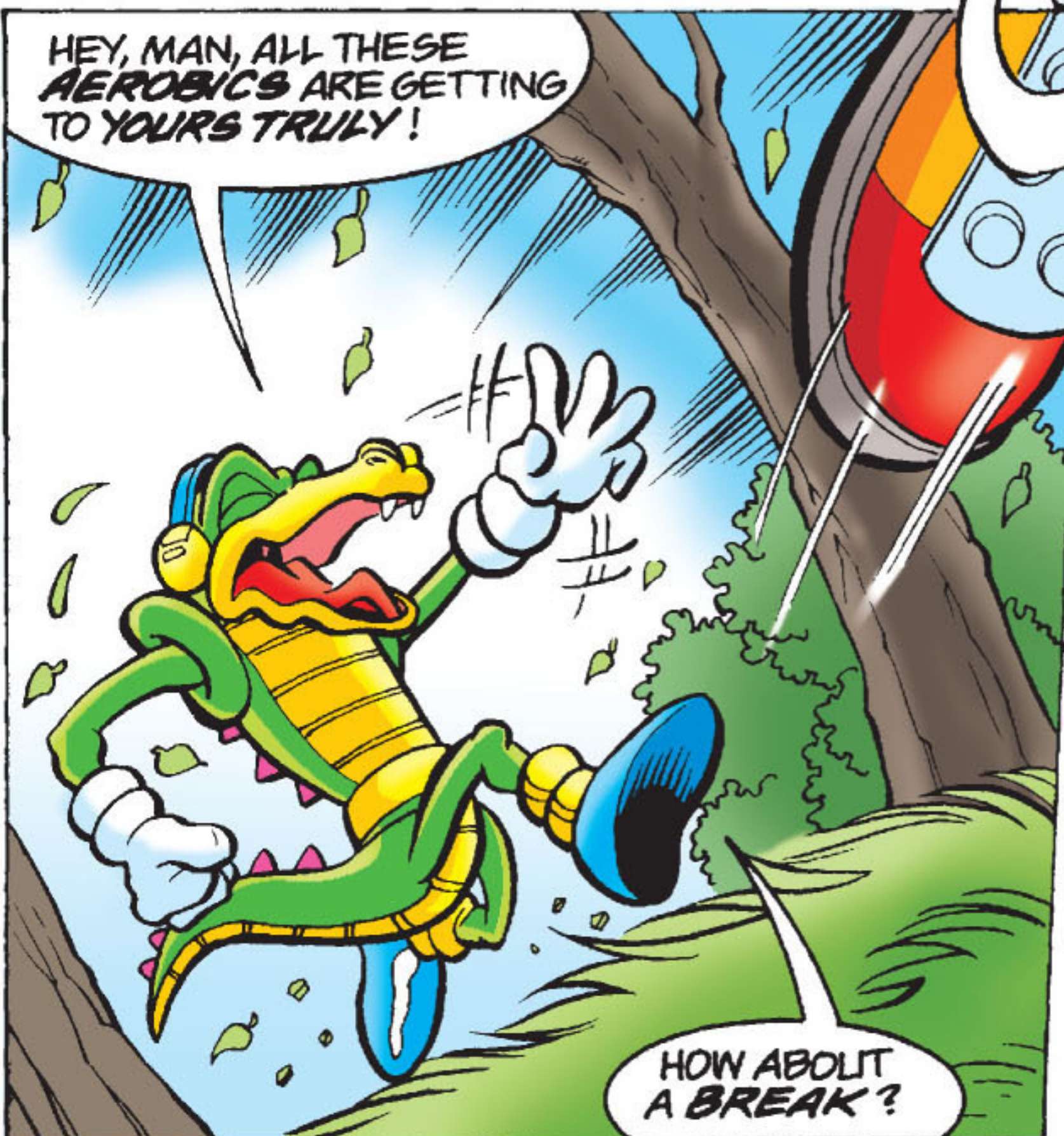
SKRUNCH

ROOAAAARRRRRR



KA-BOOOOMM!

THAT OUGHTTA
BREAK 'EM
UP!



HEY, MAN, ALL THESE
AEROBICS ARE GETTING
TO YOURS TRULY!

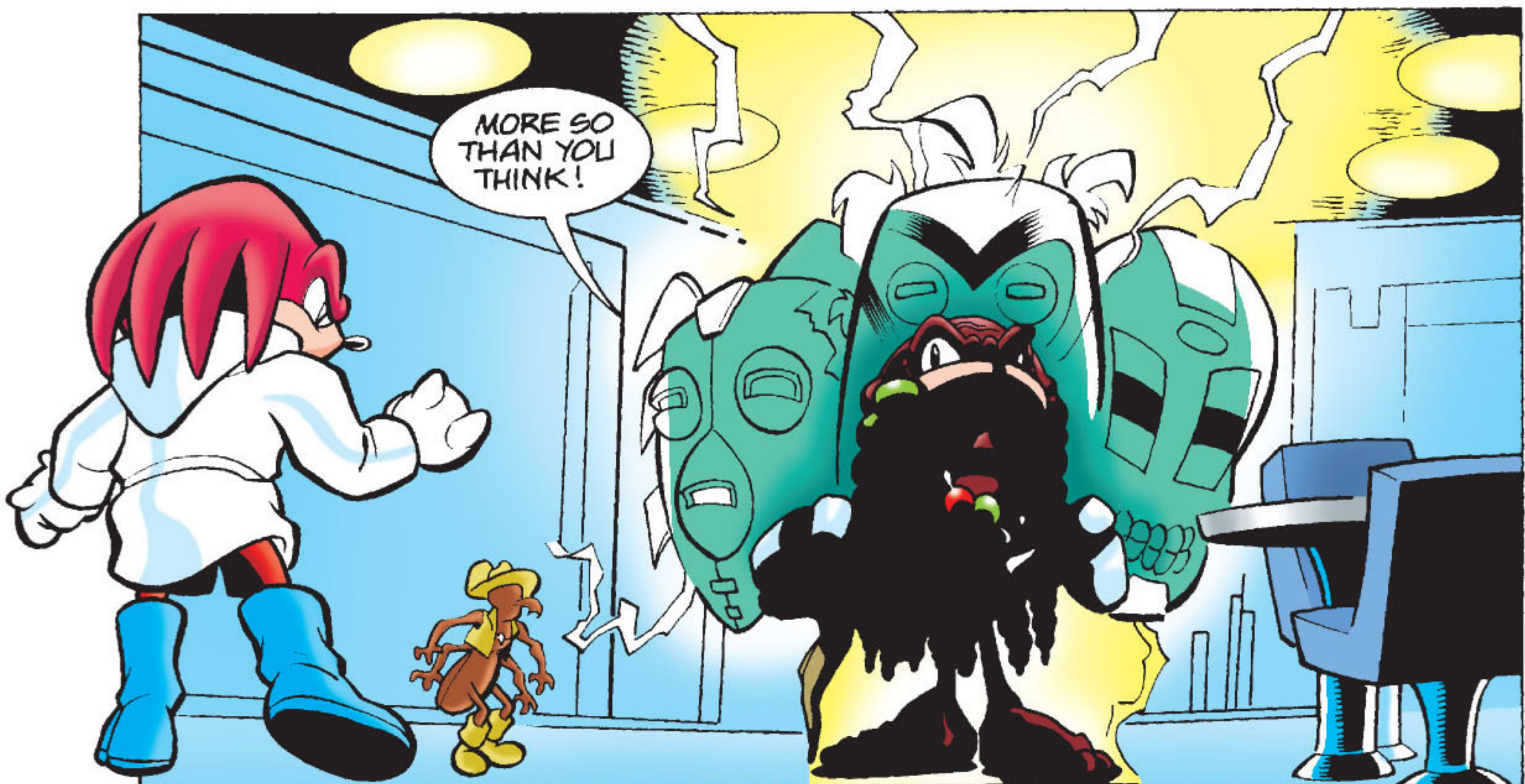
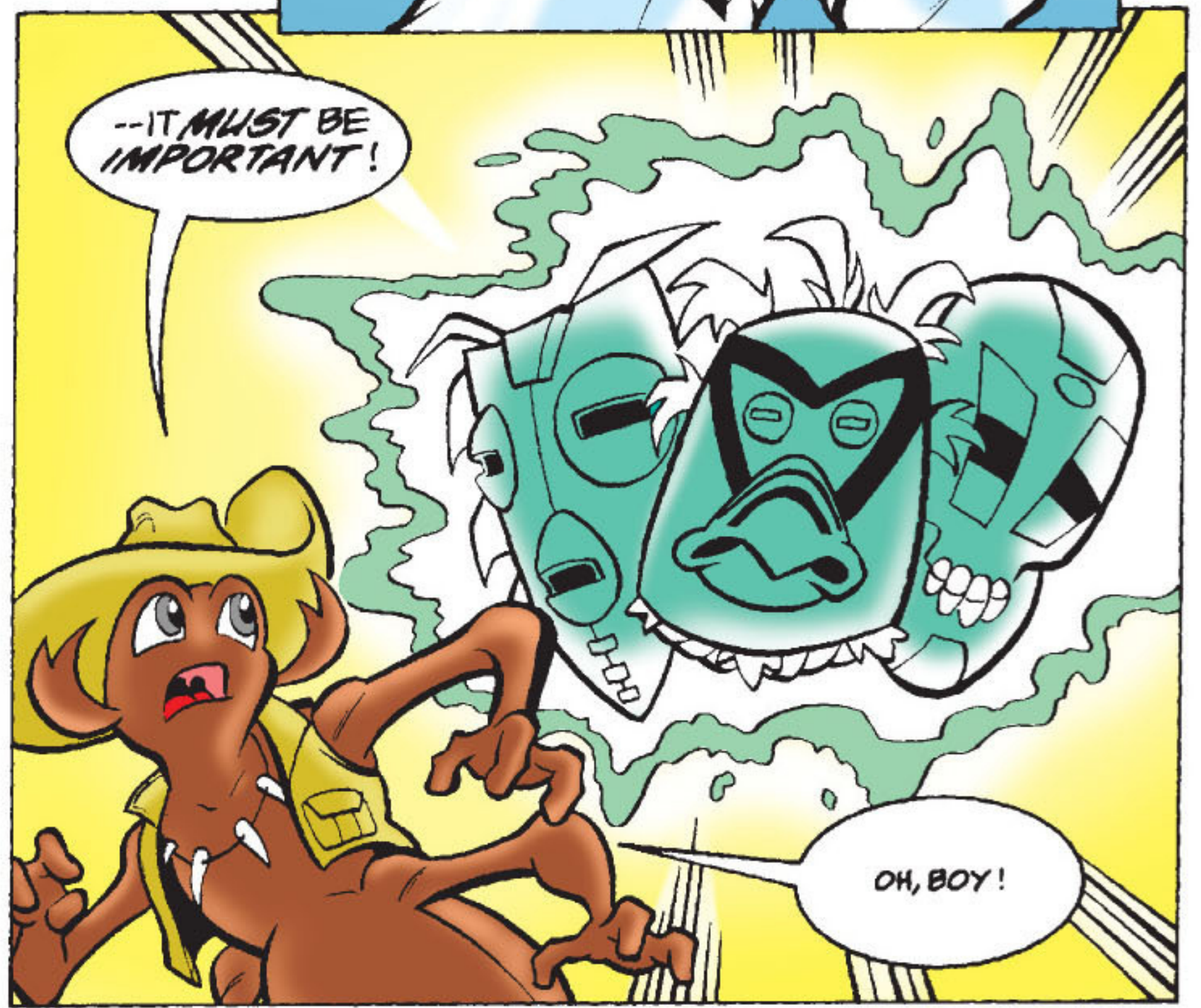
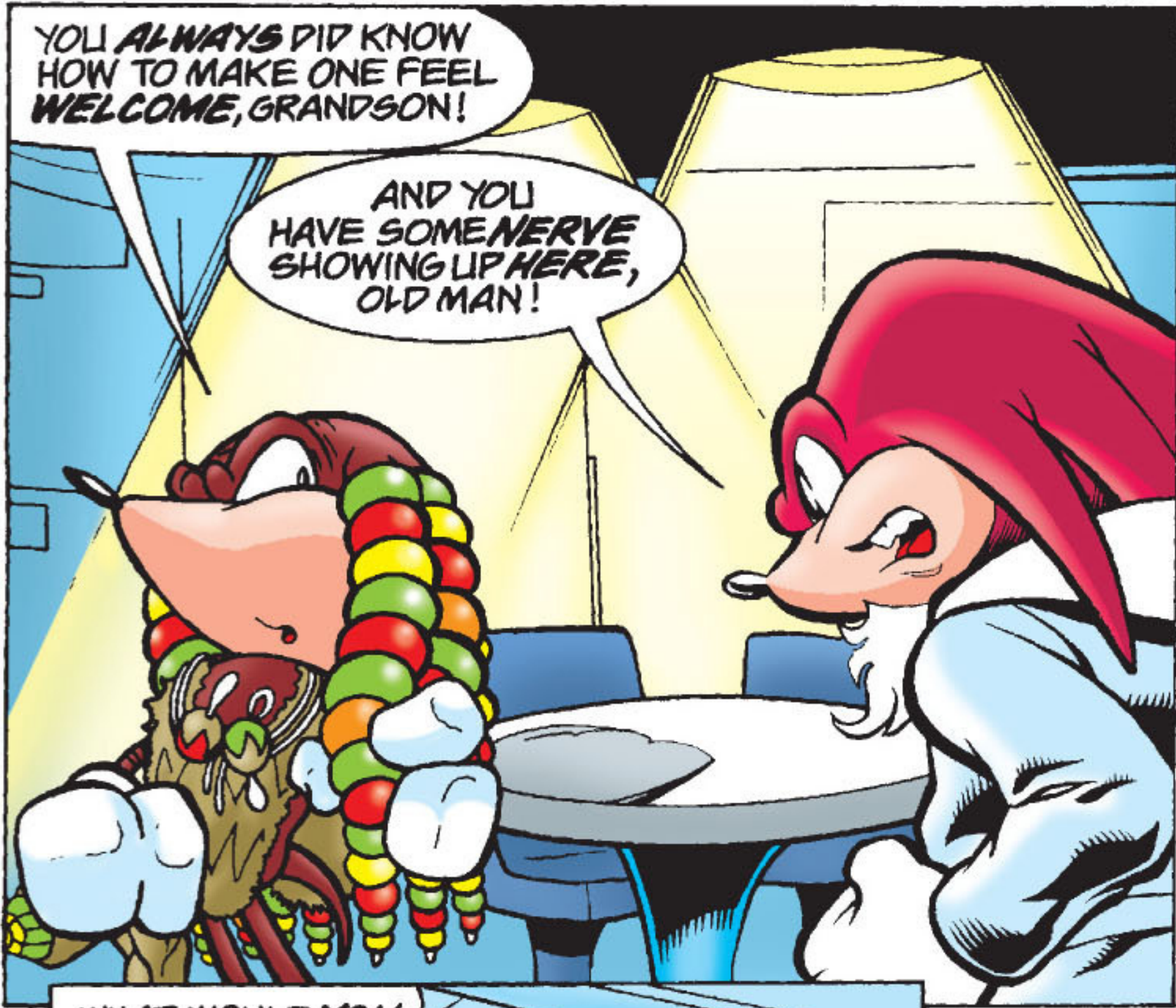
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A BREAK?

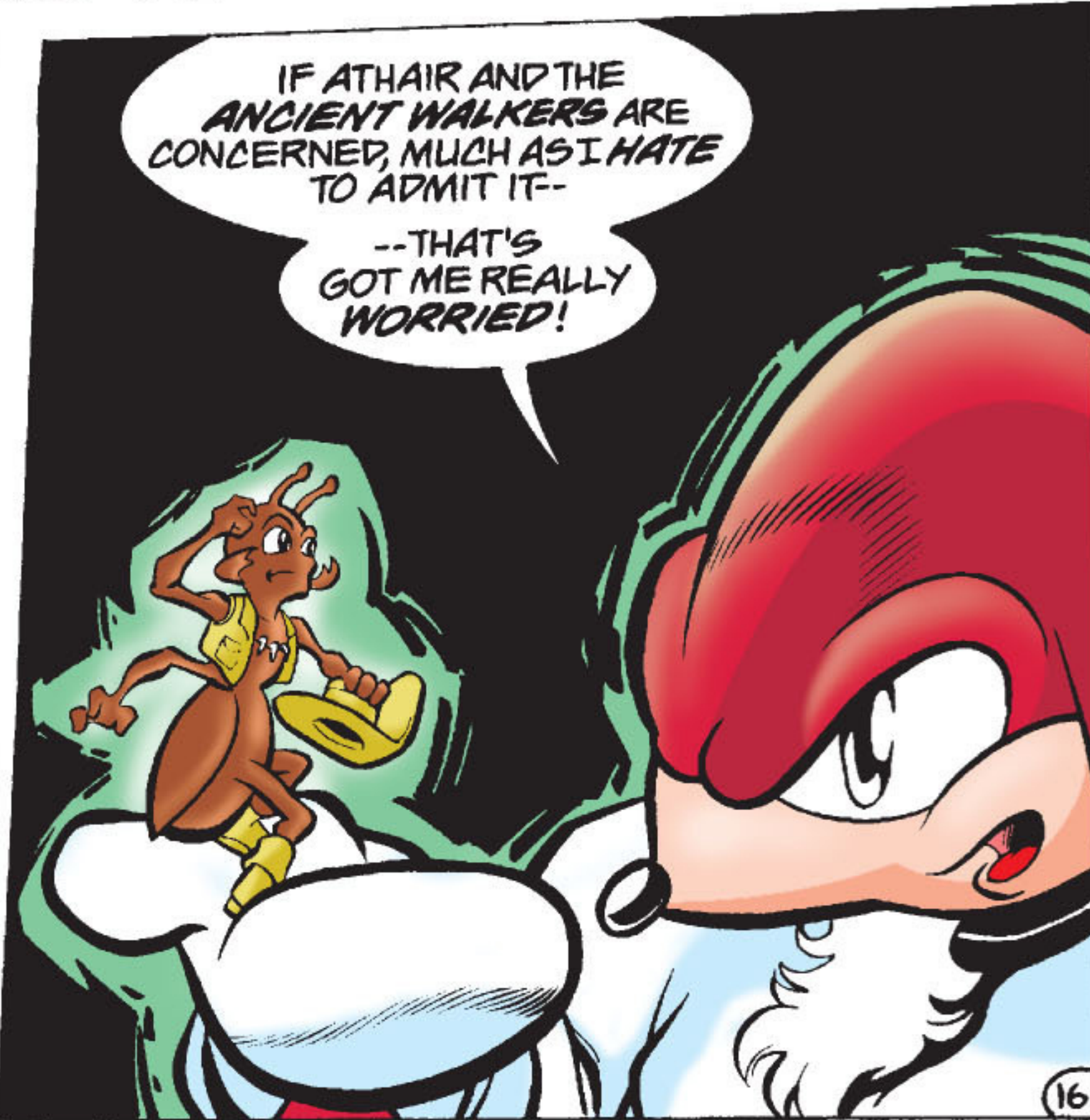
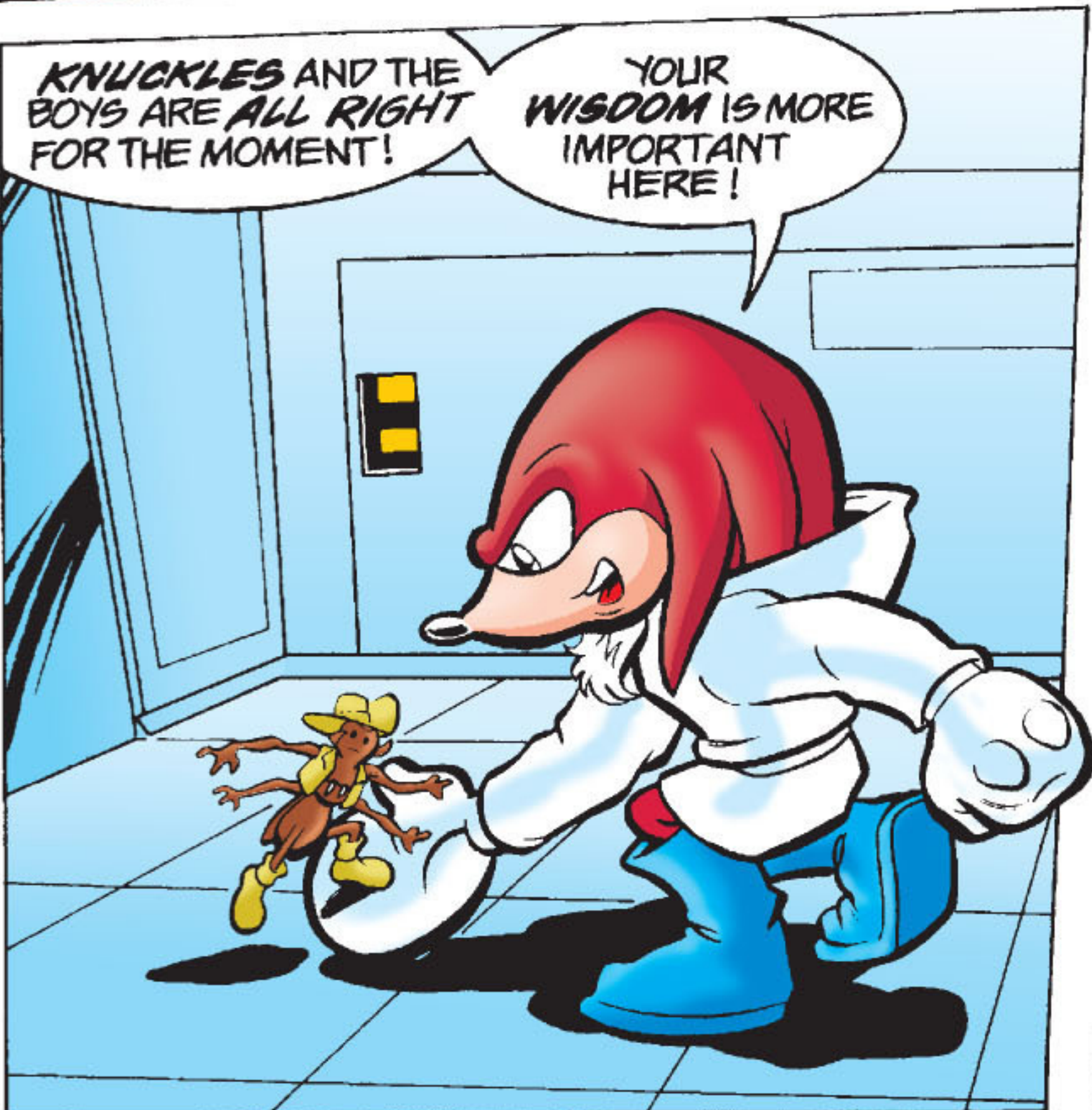
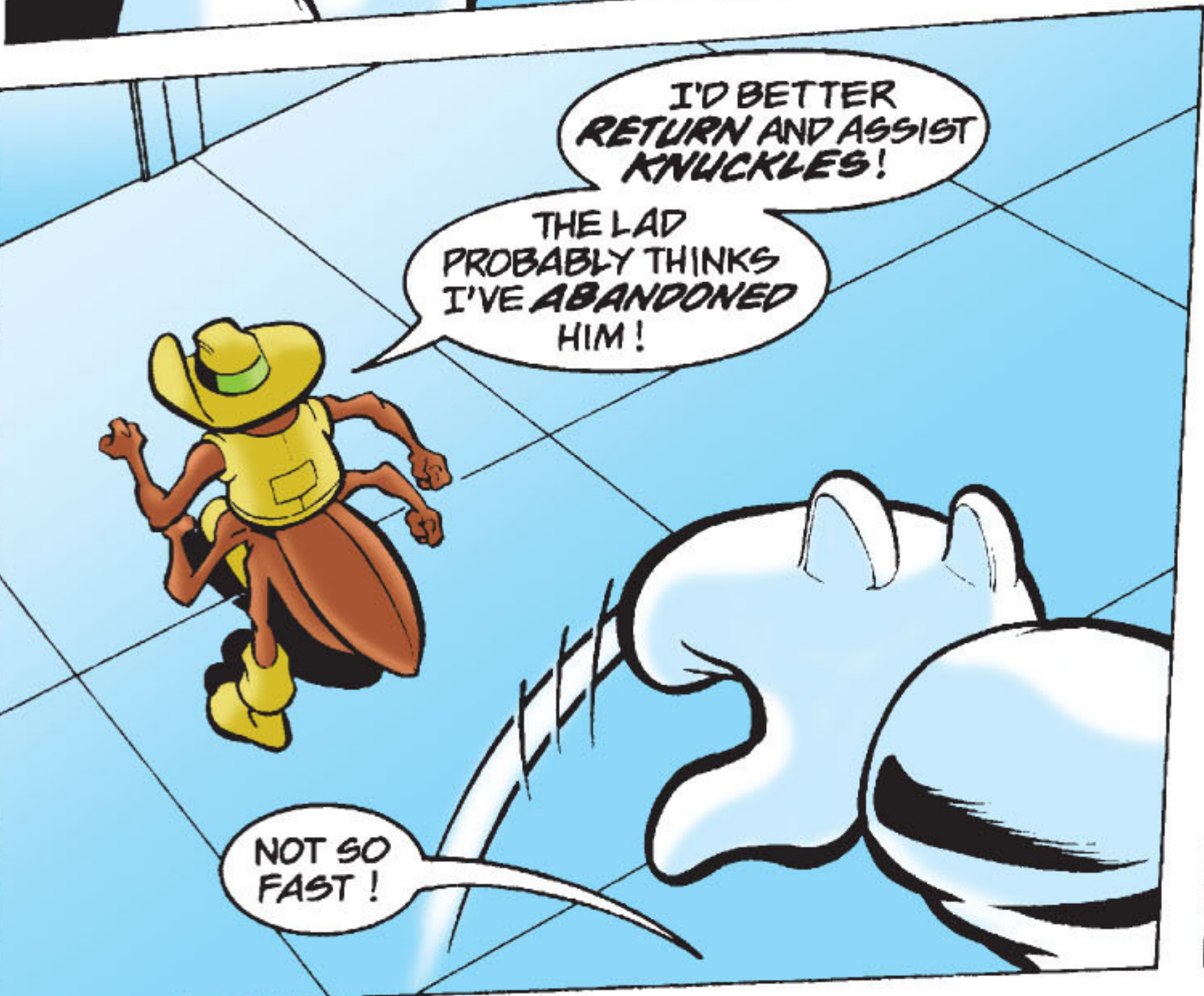
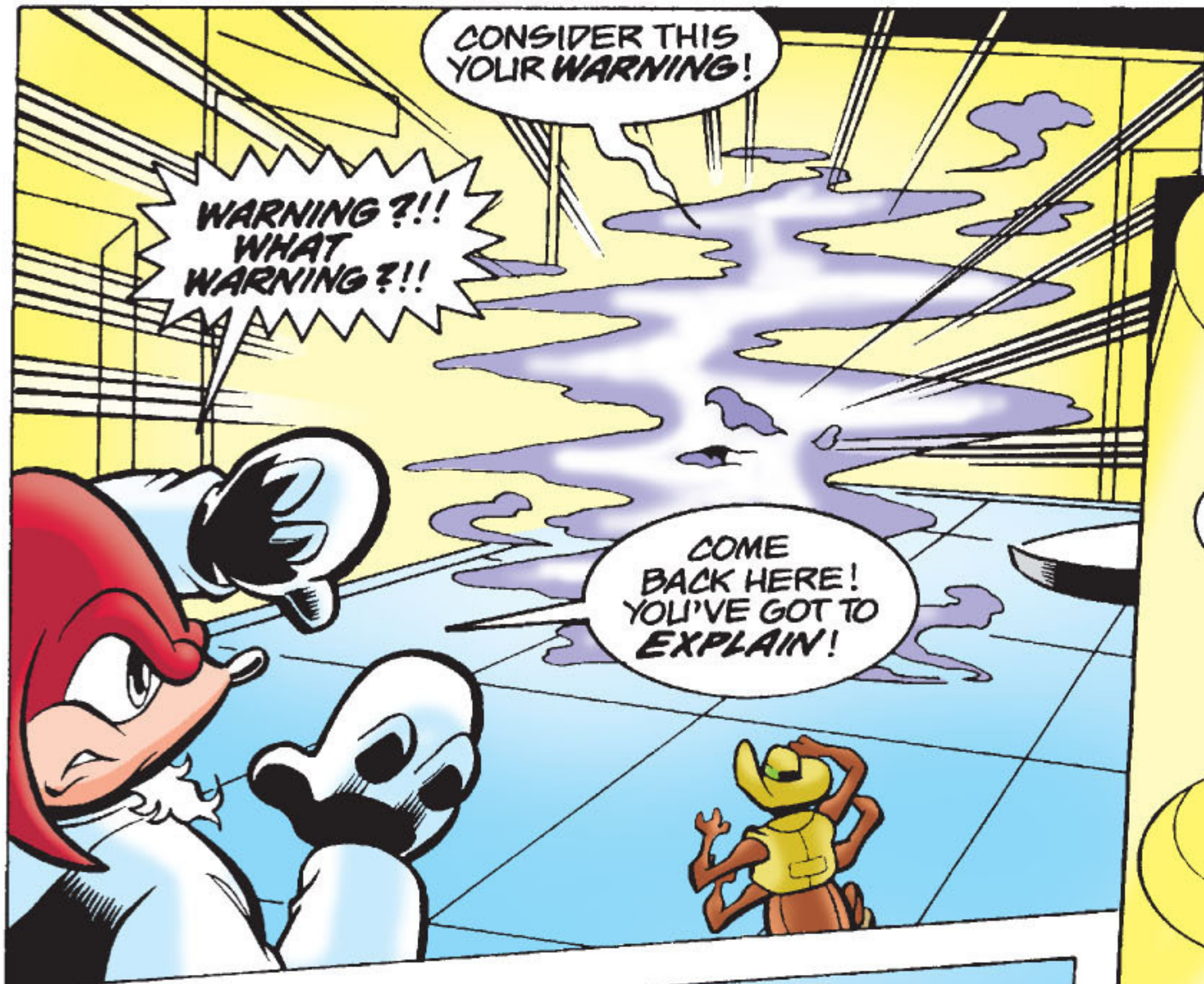


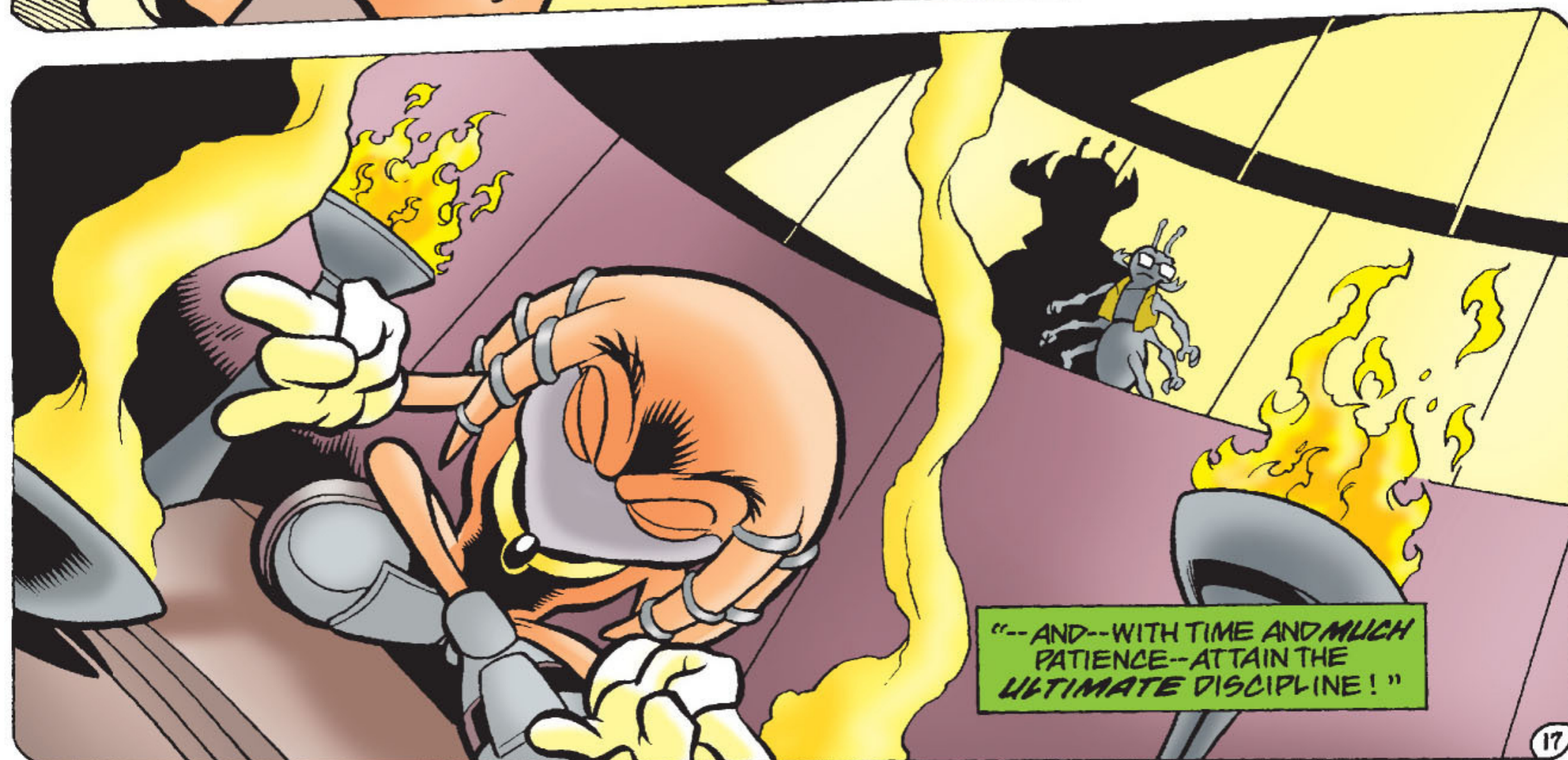
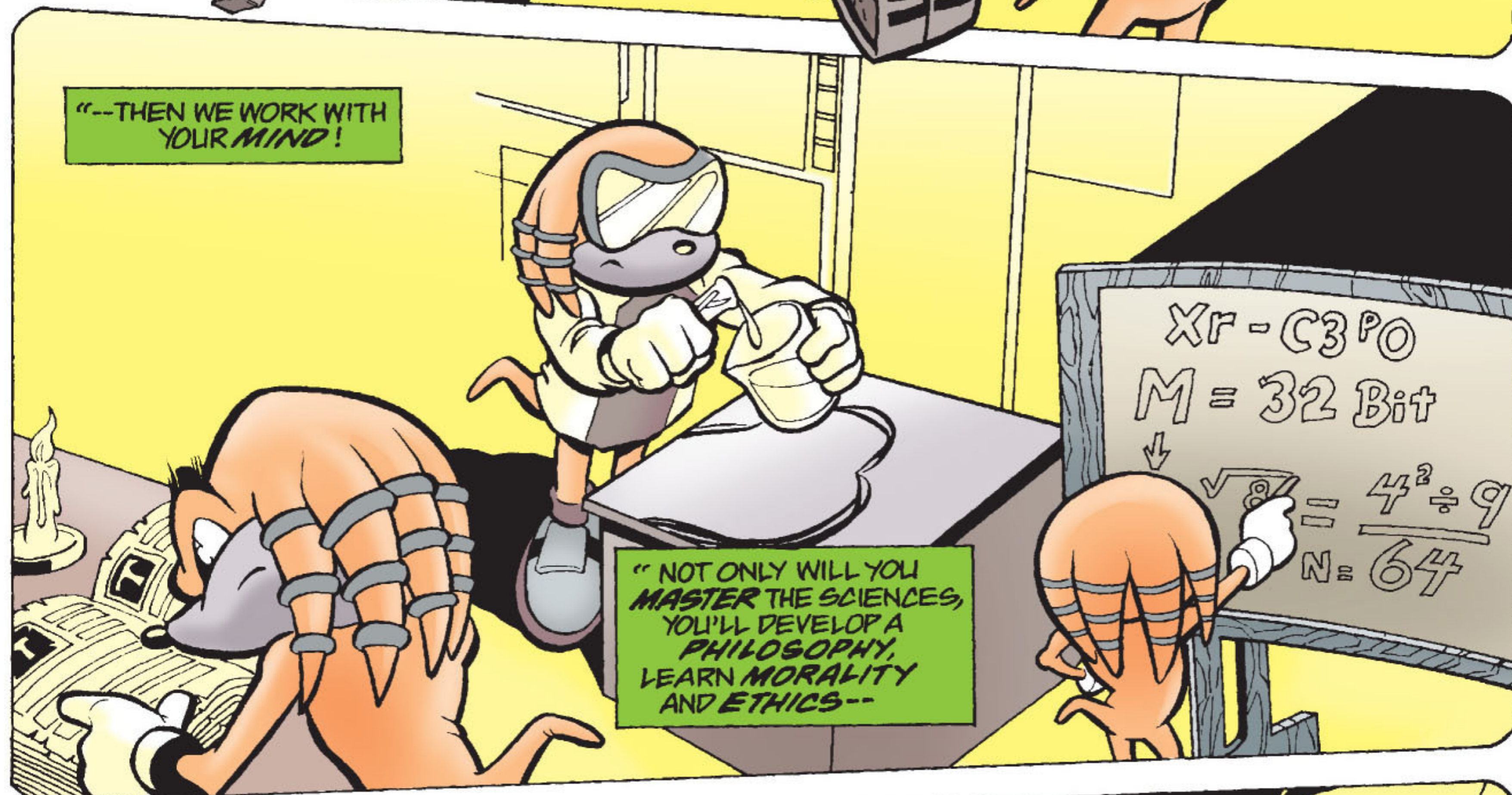
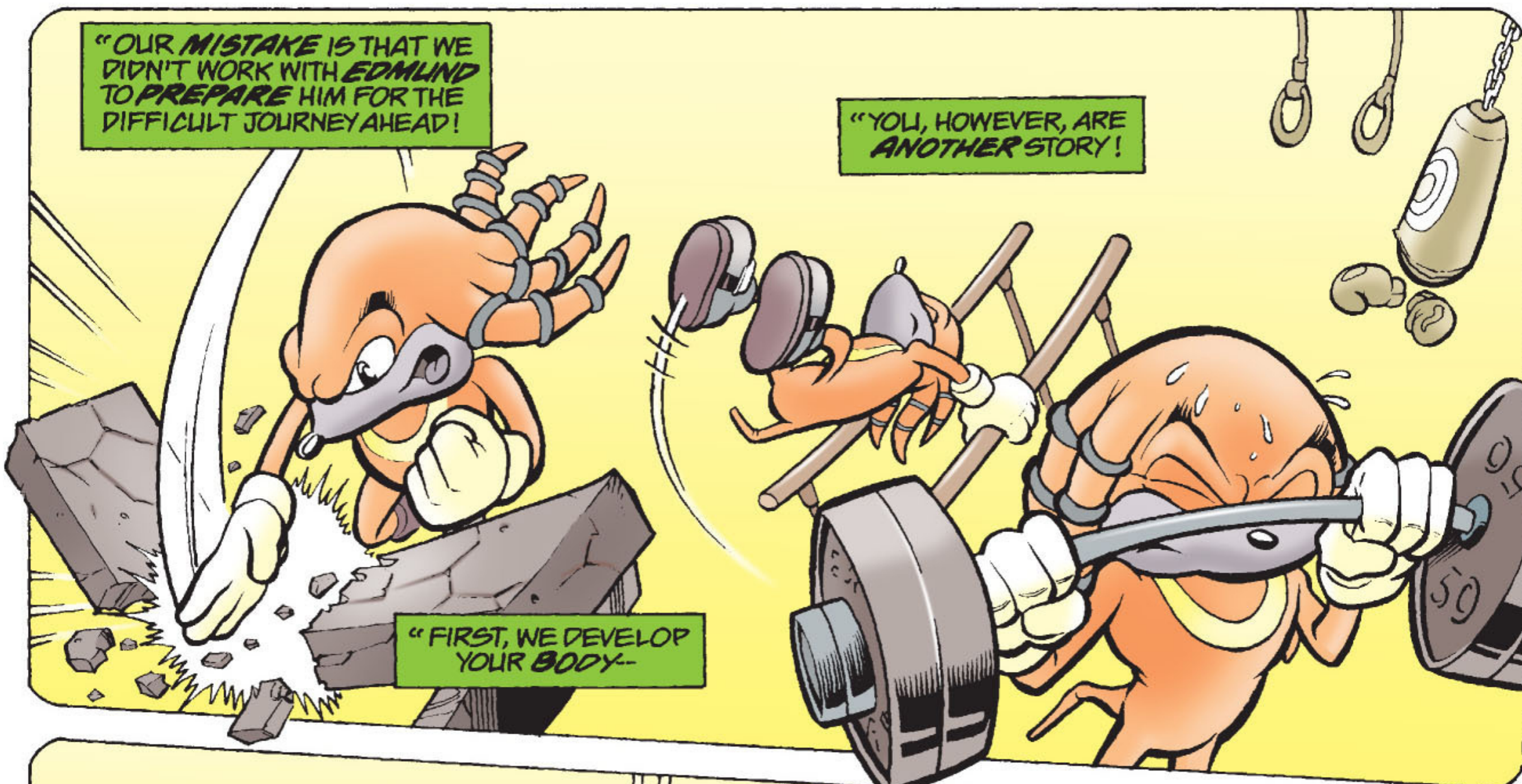
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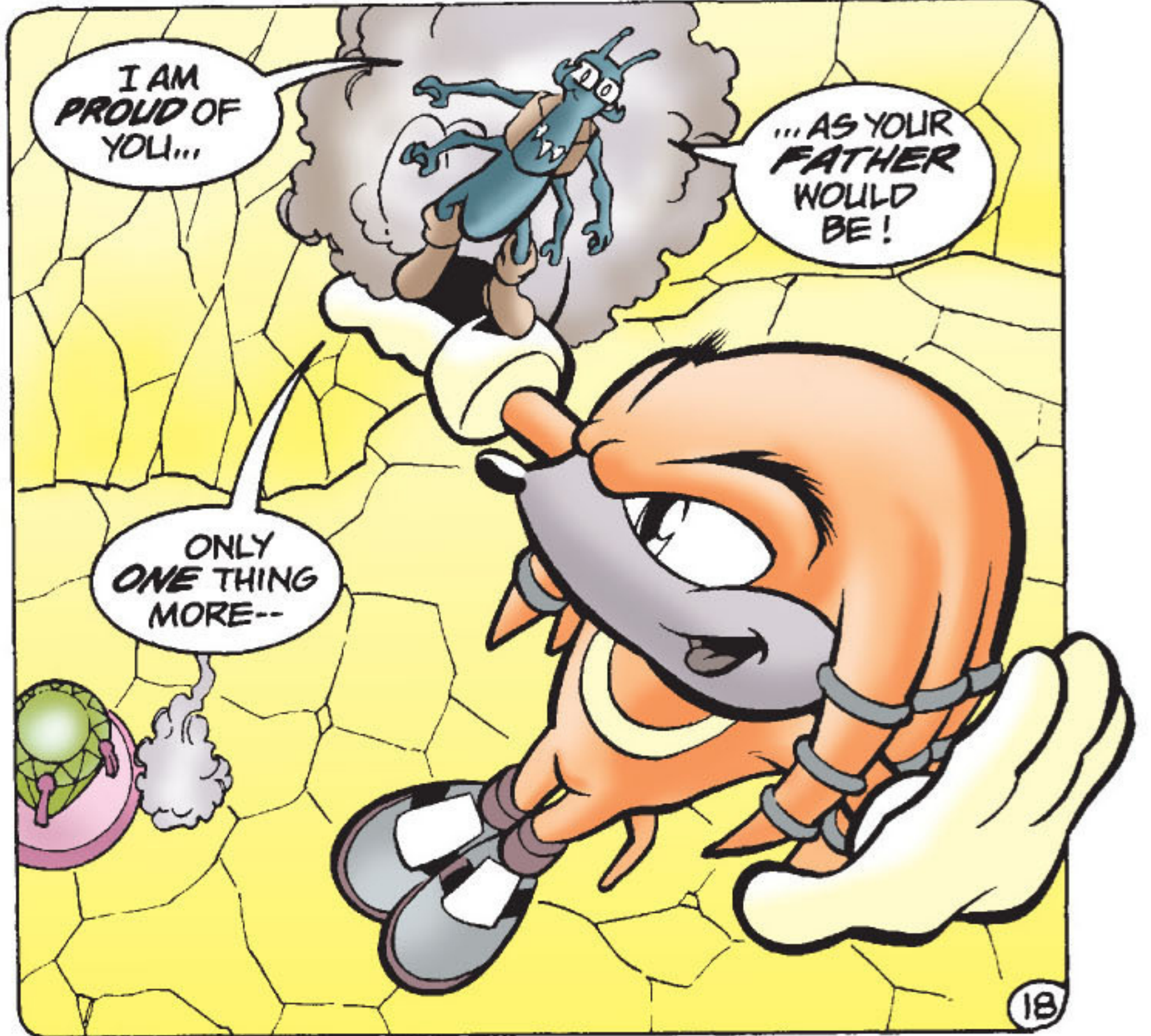
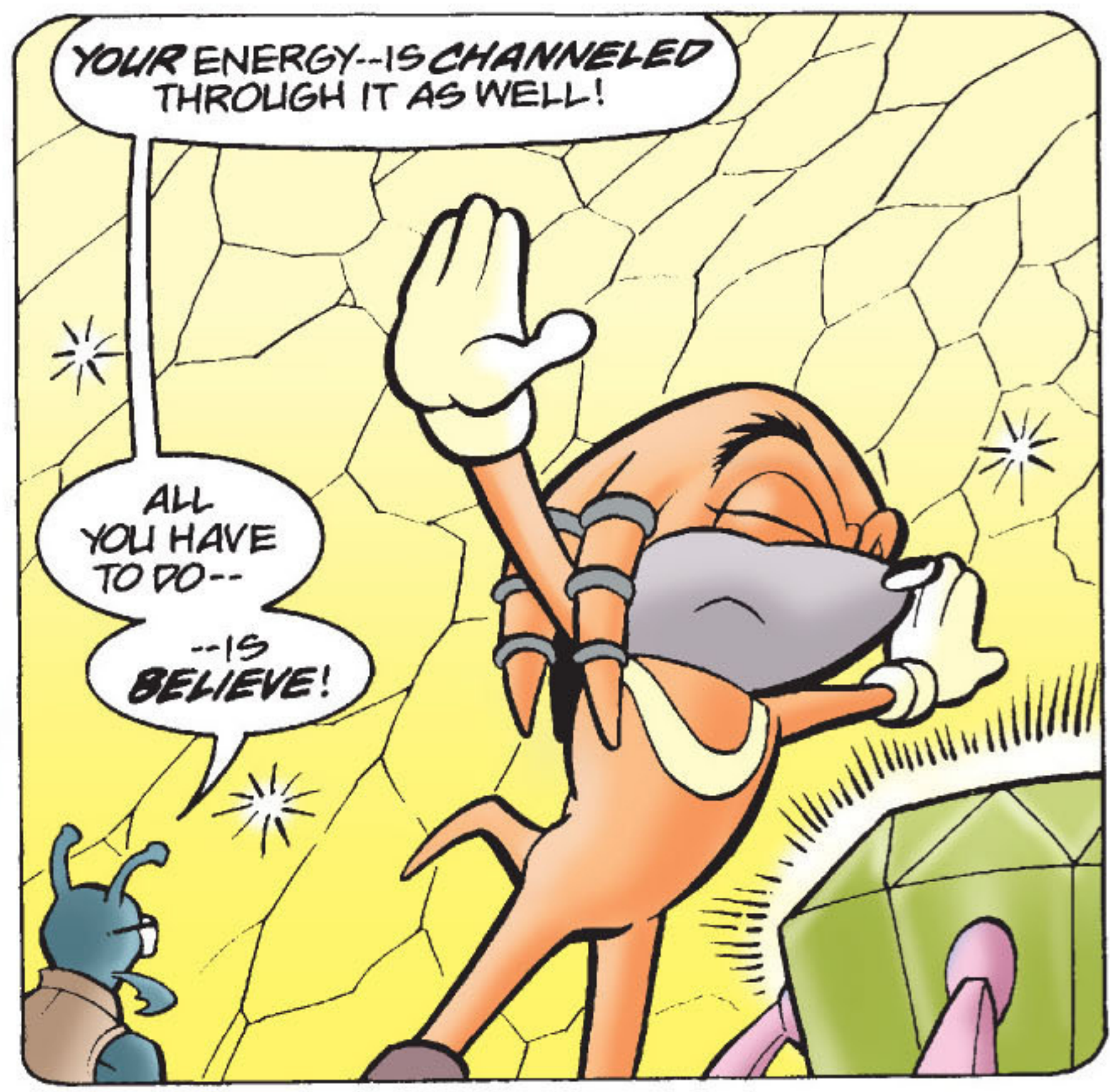
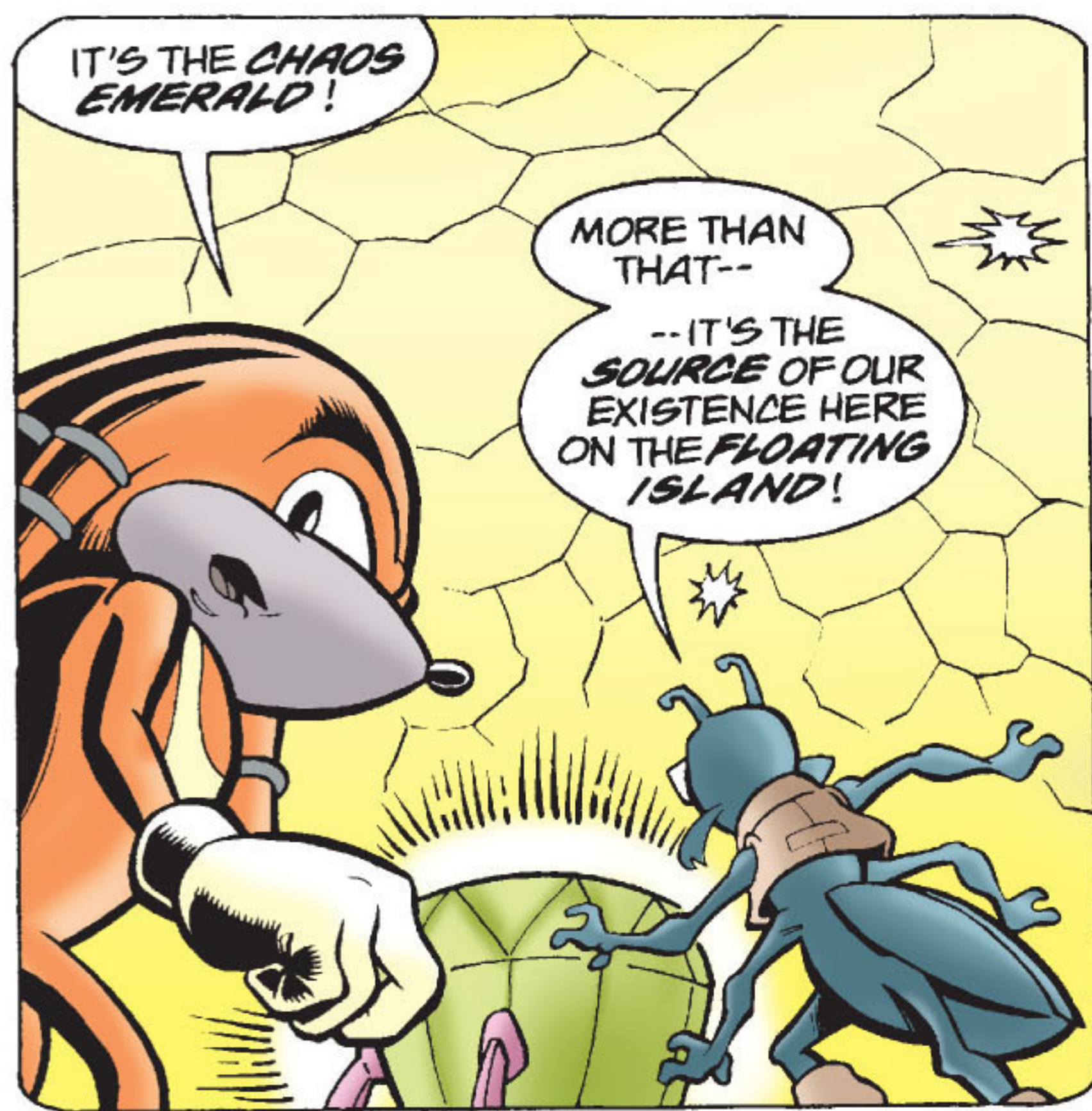
RIGHT NOW, WE
NEED TO CREATE SOME
BREATHING ROOM
BETWEEN
US AND THEM!

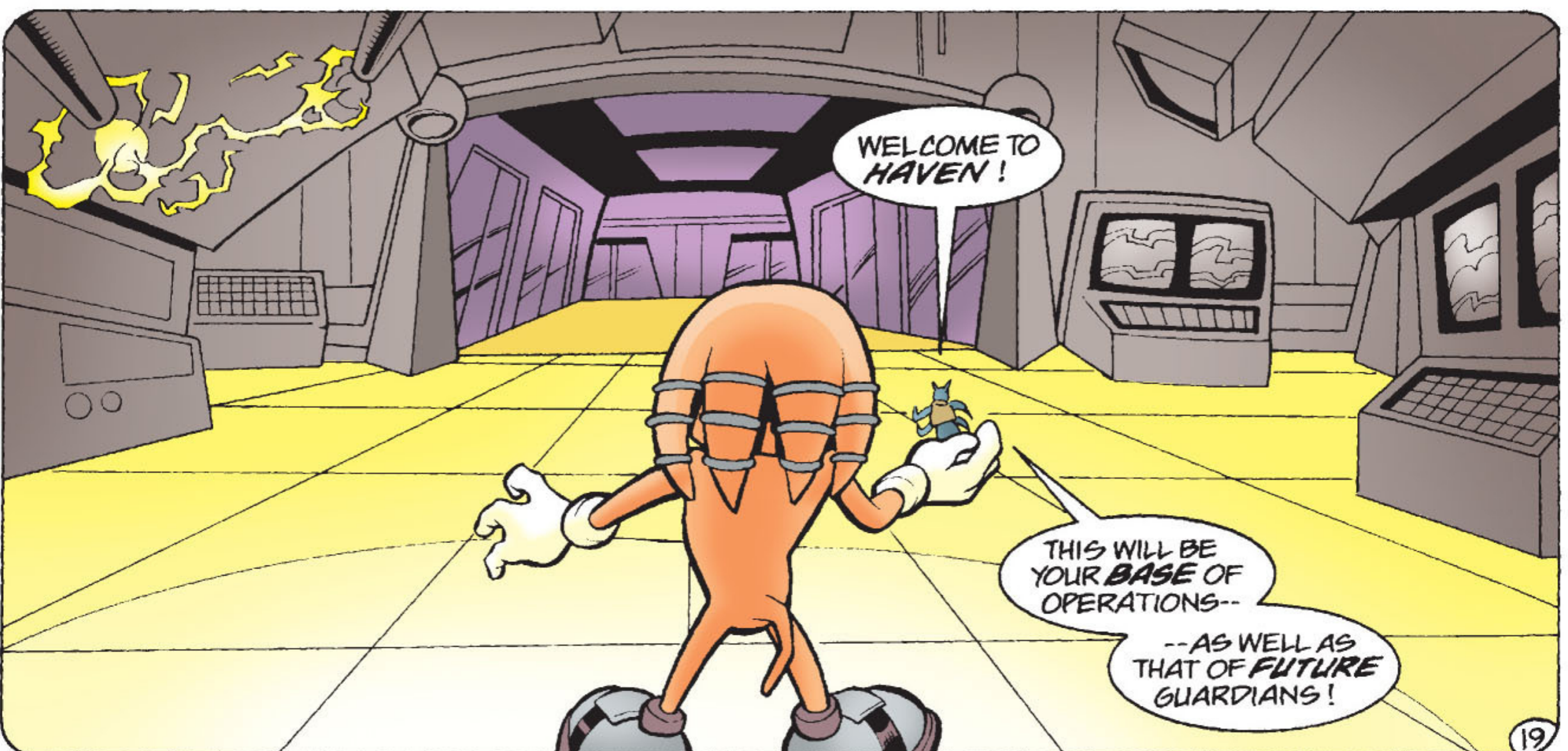
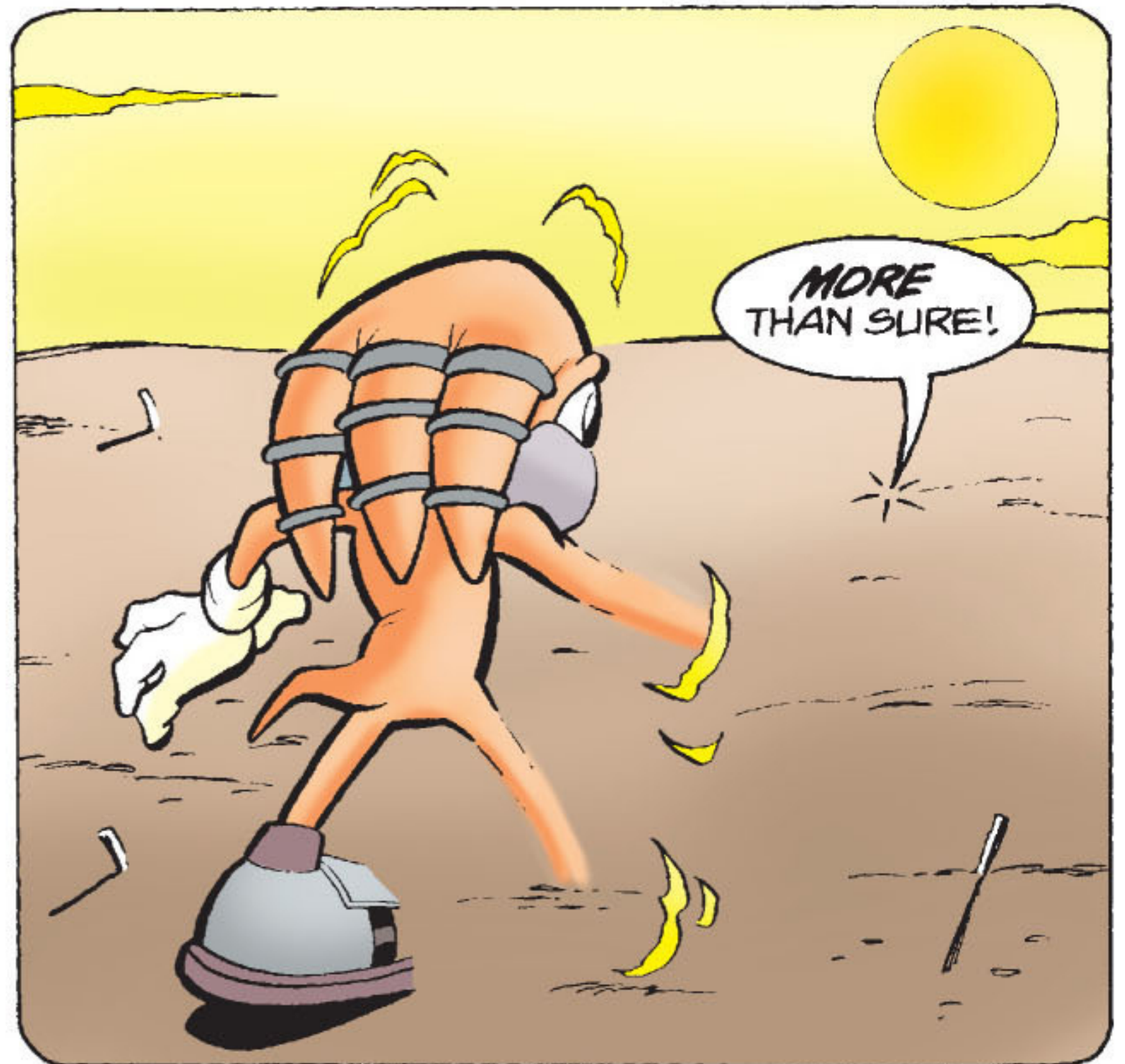
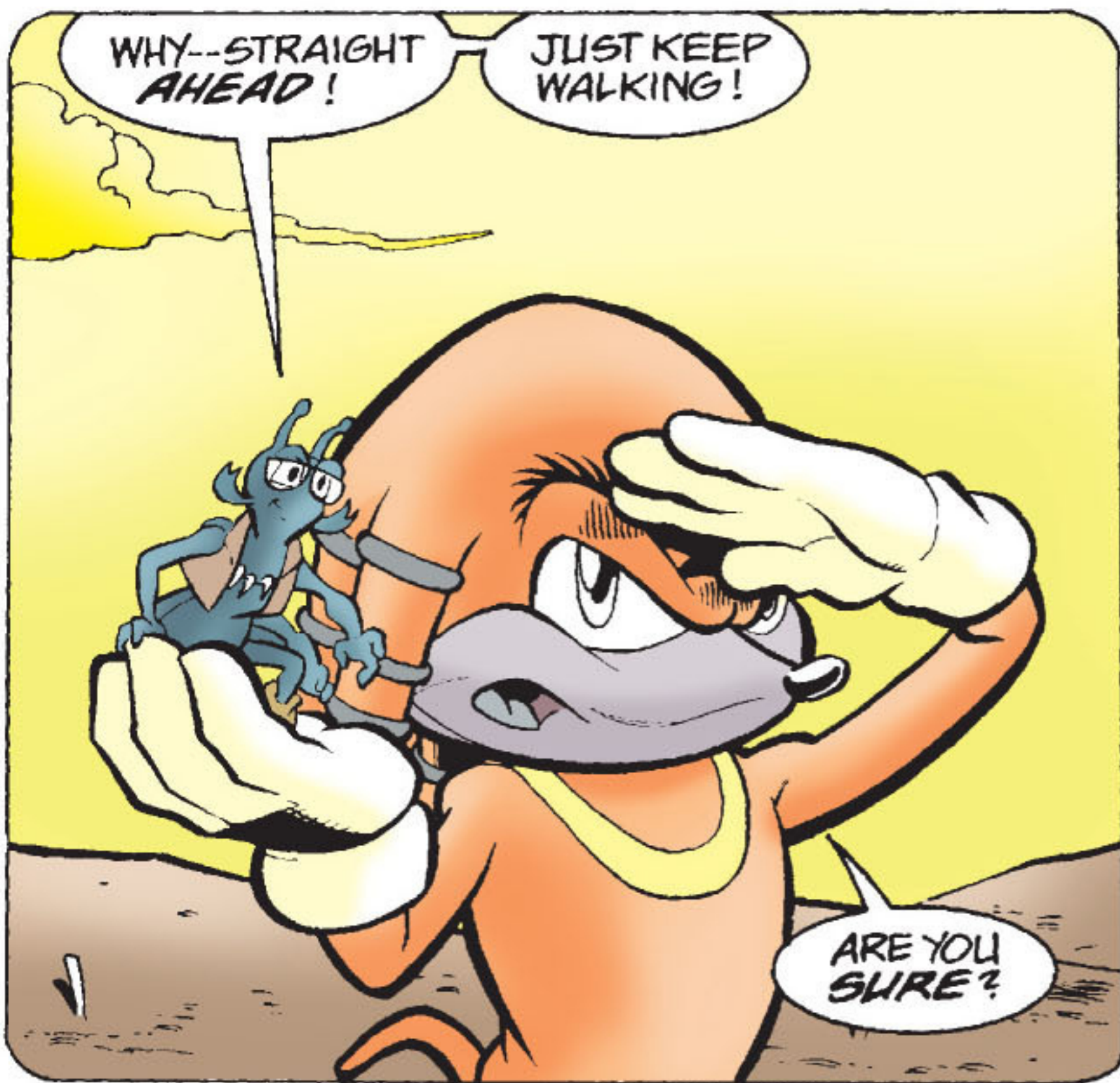
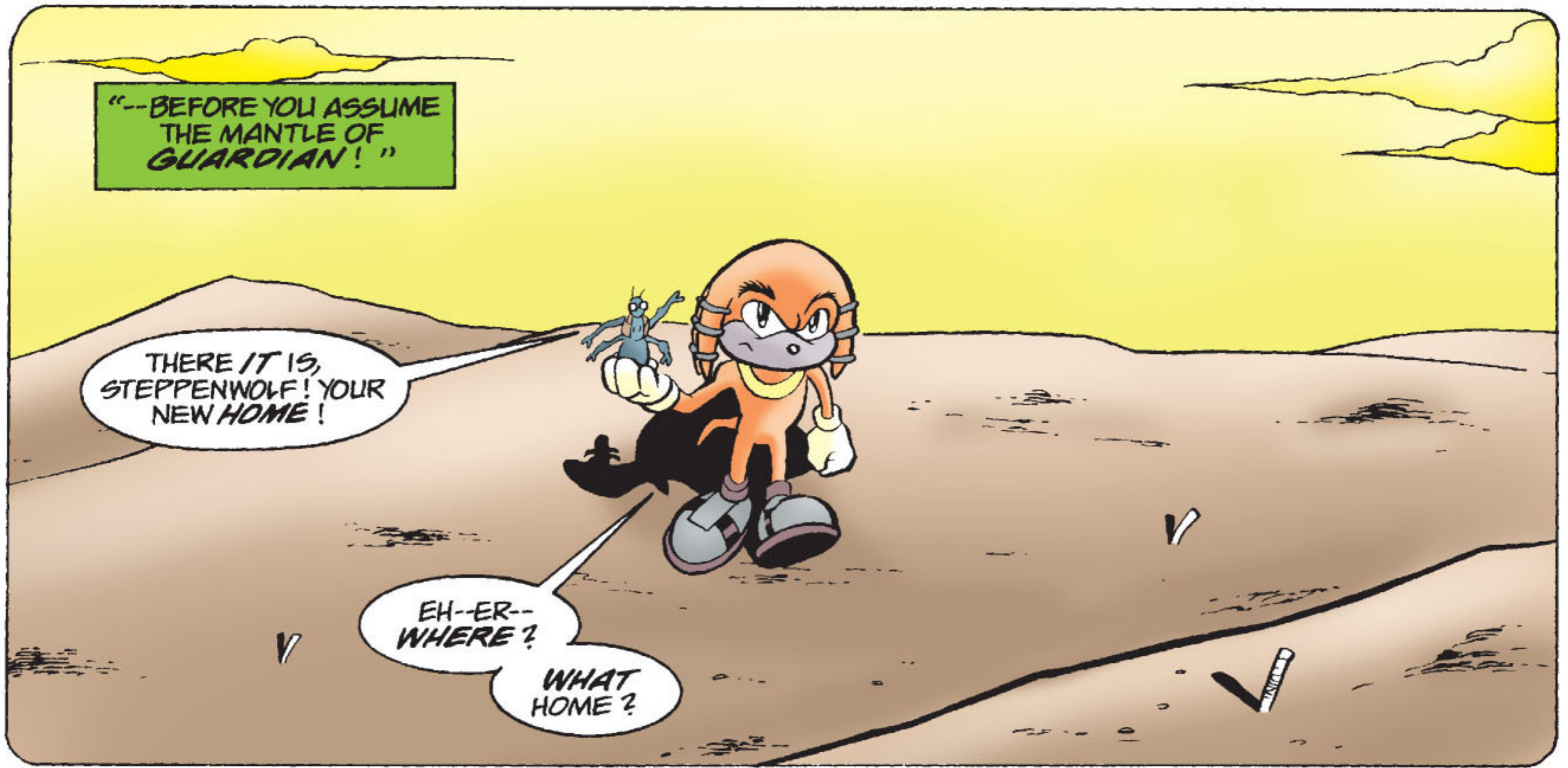
SO LET'S
MOVE IT OR
LOSE IT!

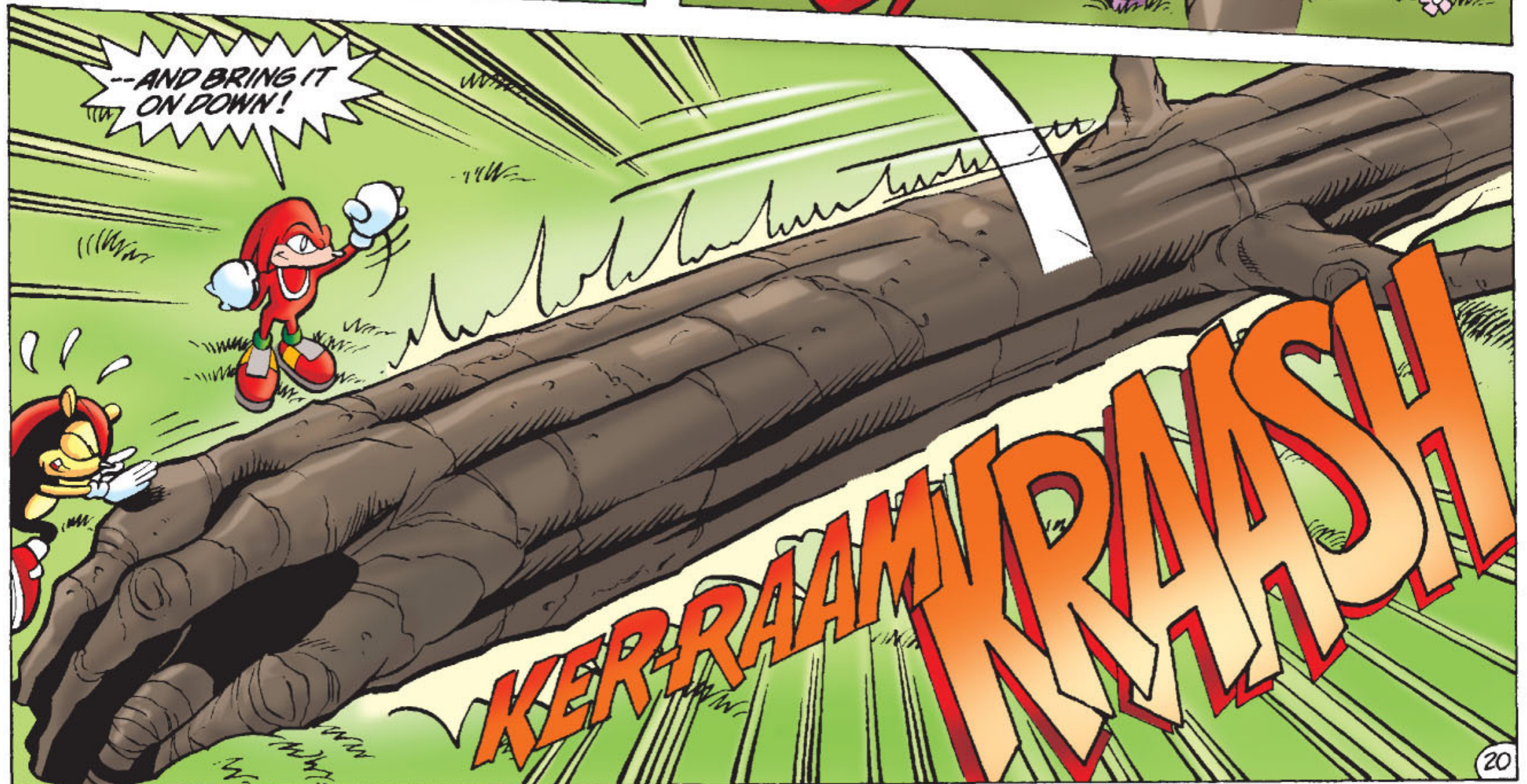
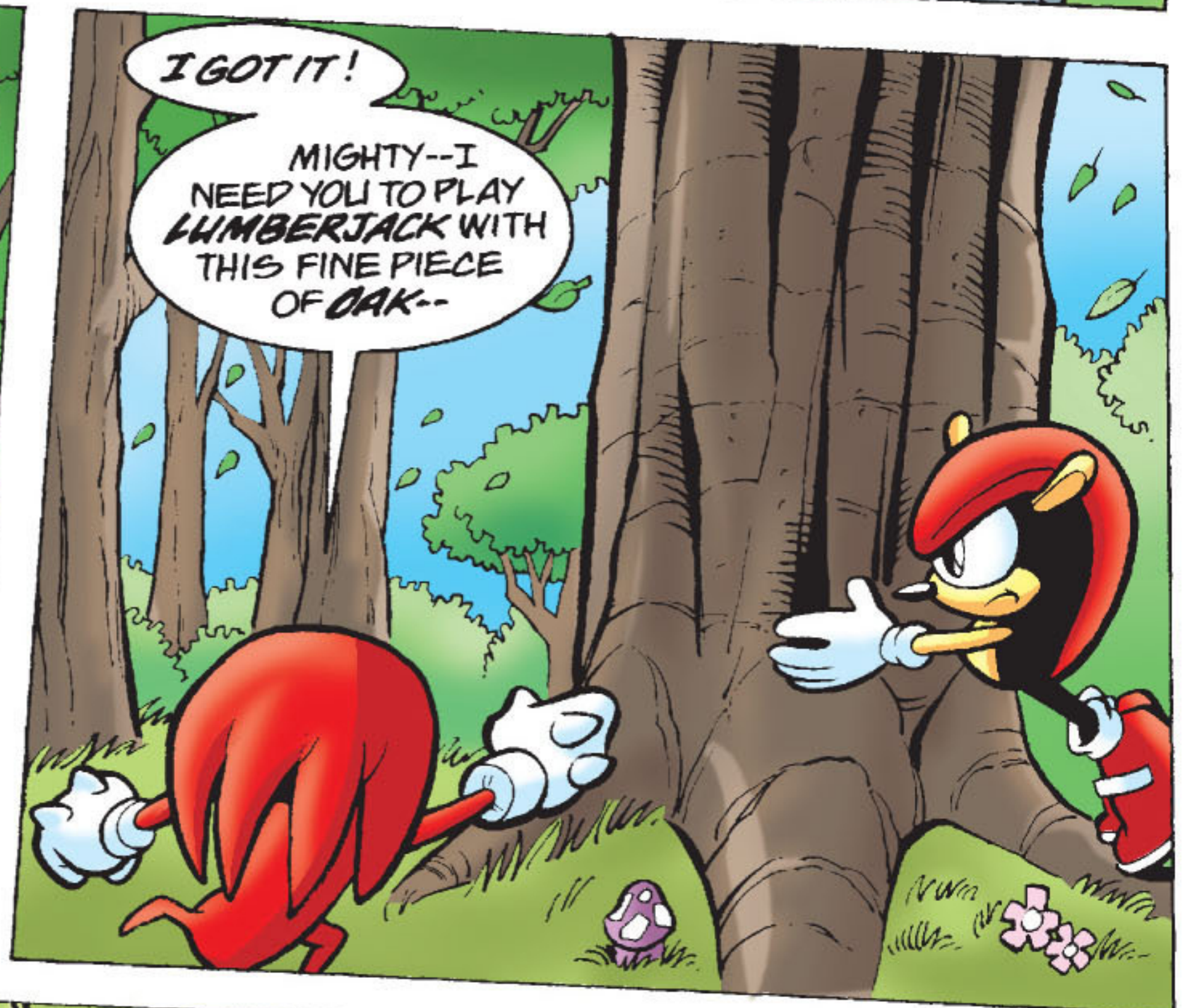
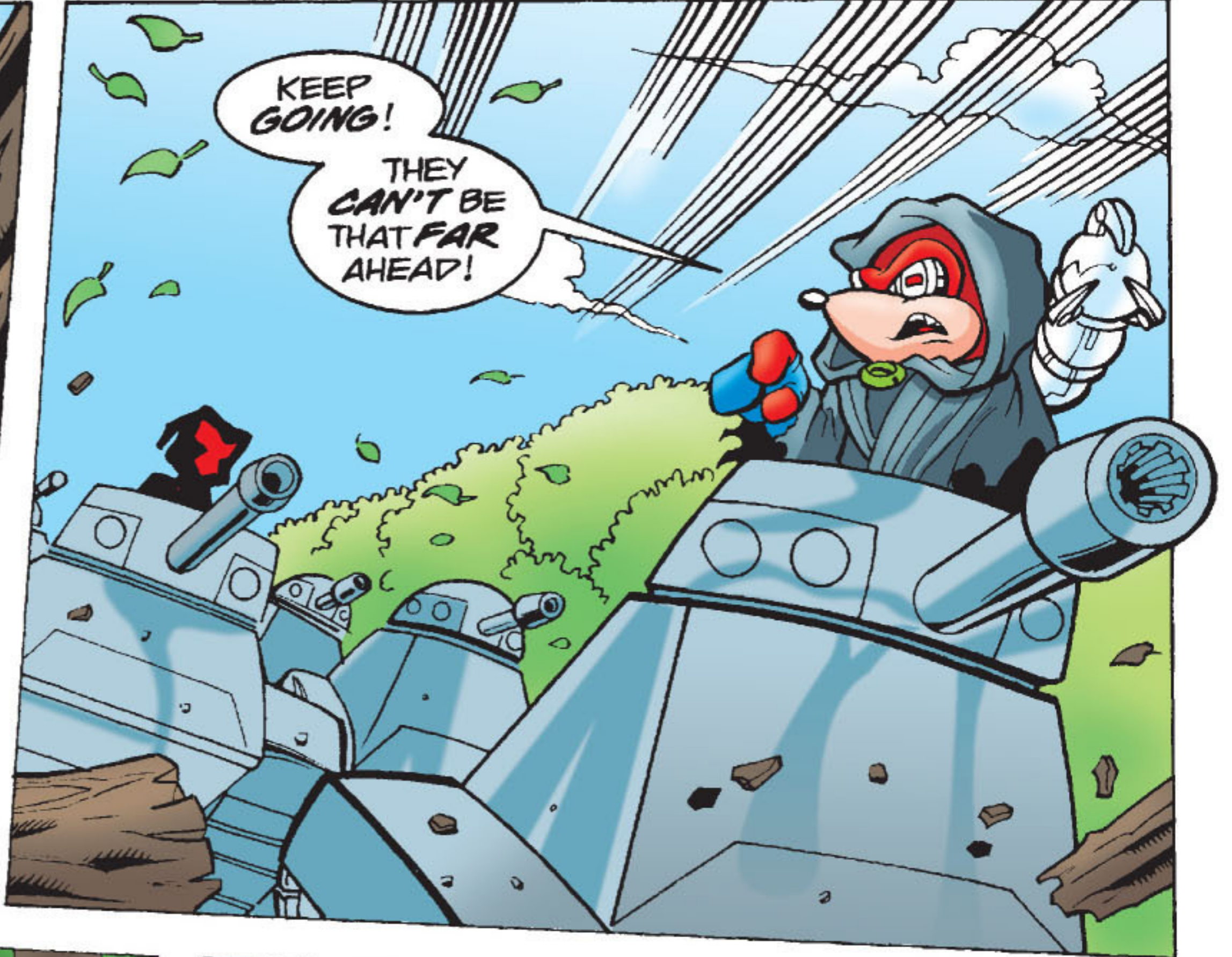
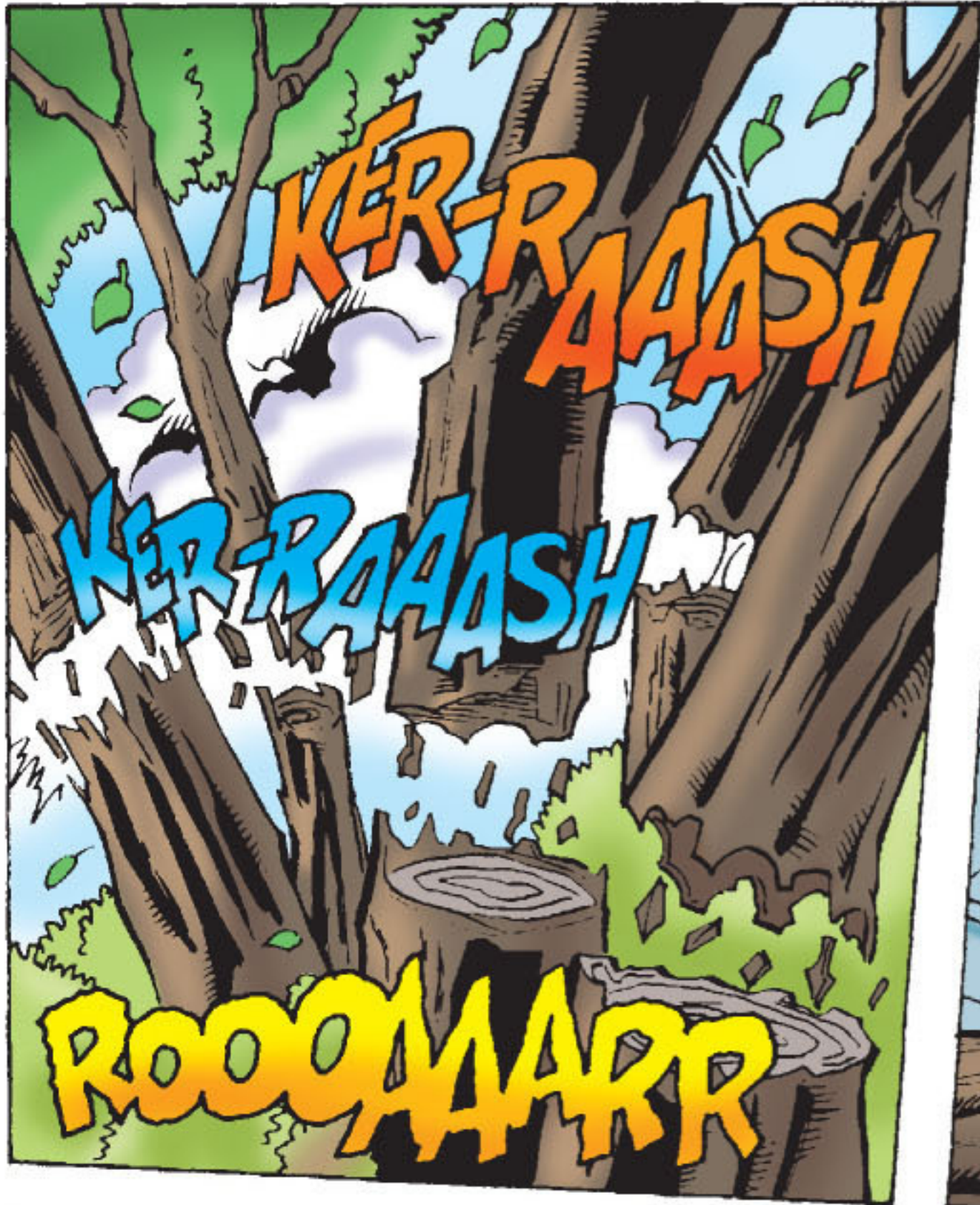


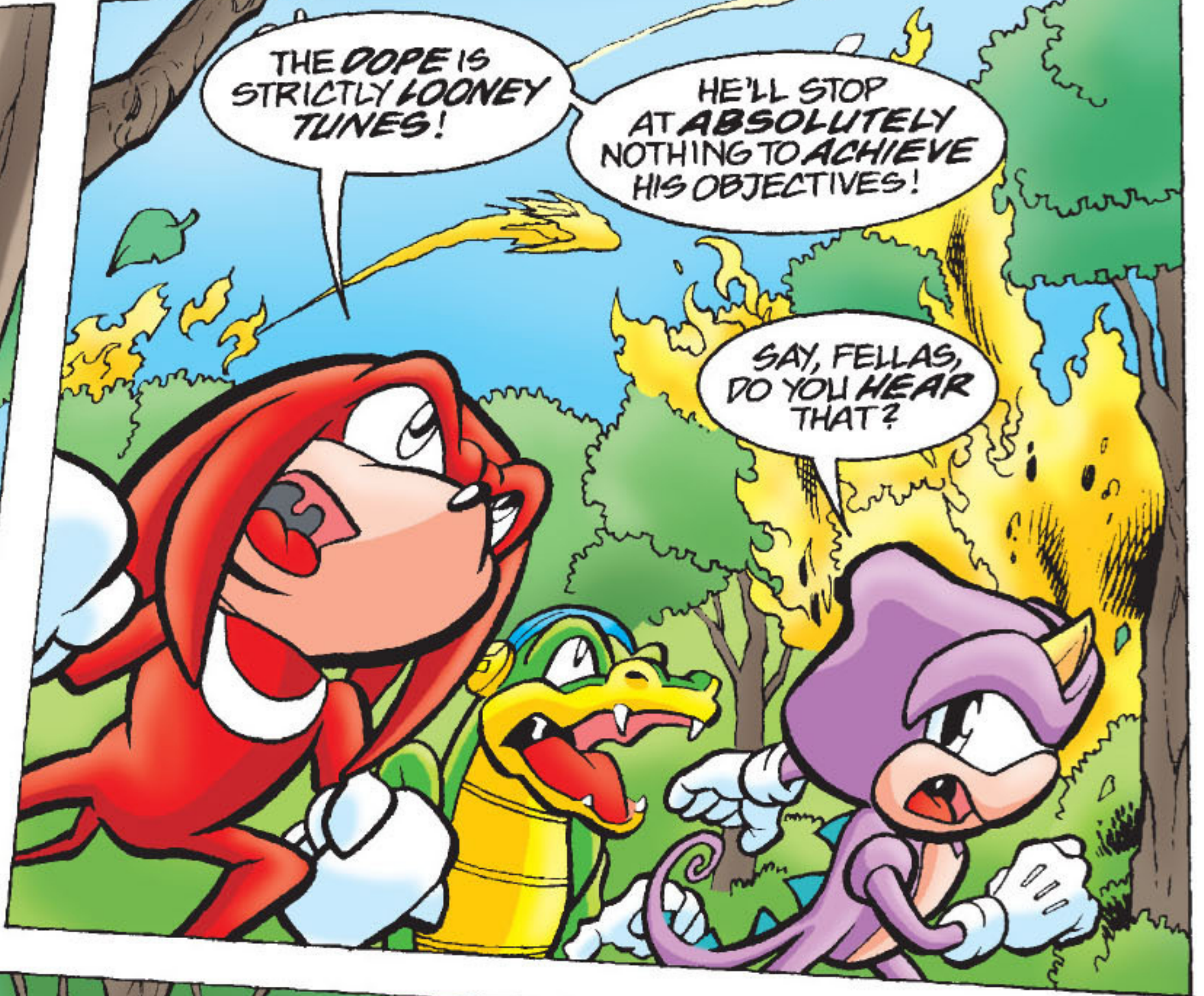
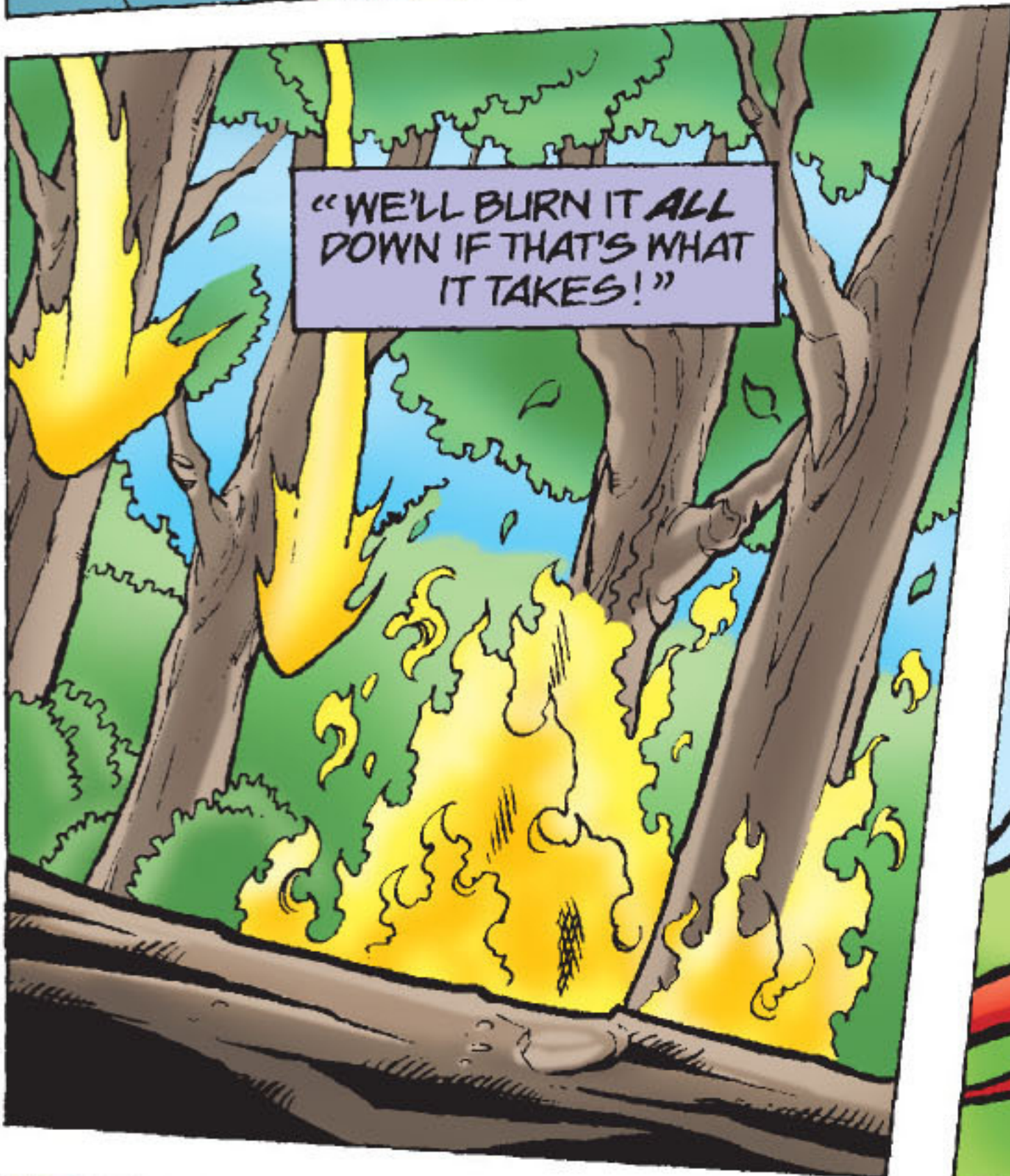
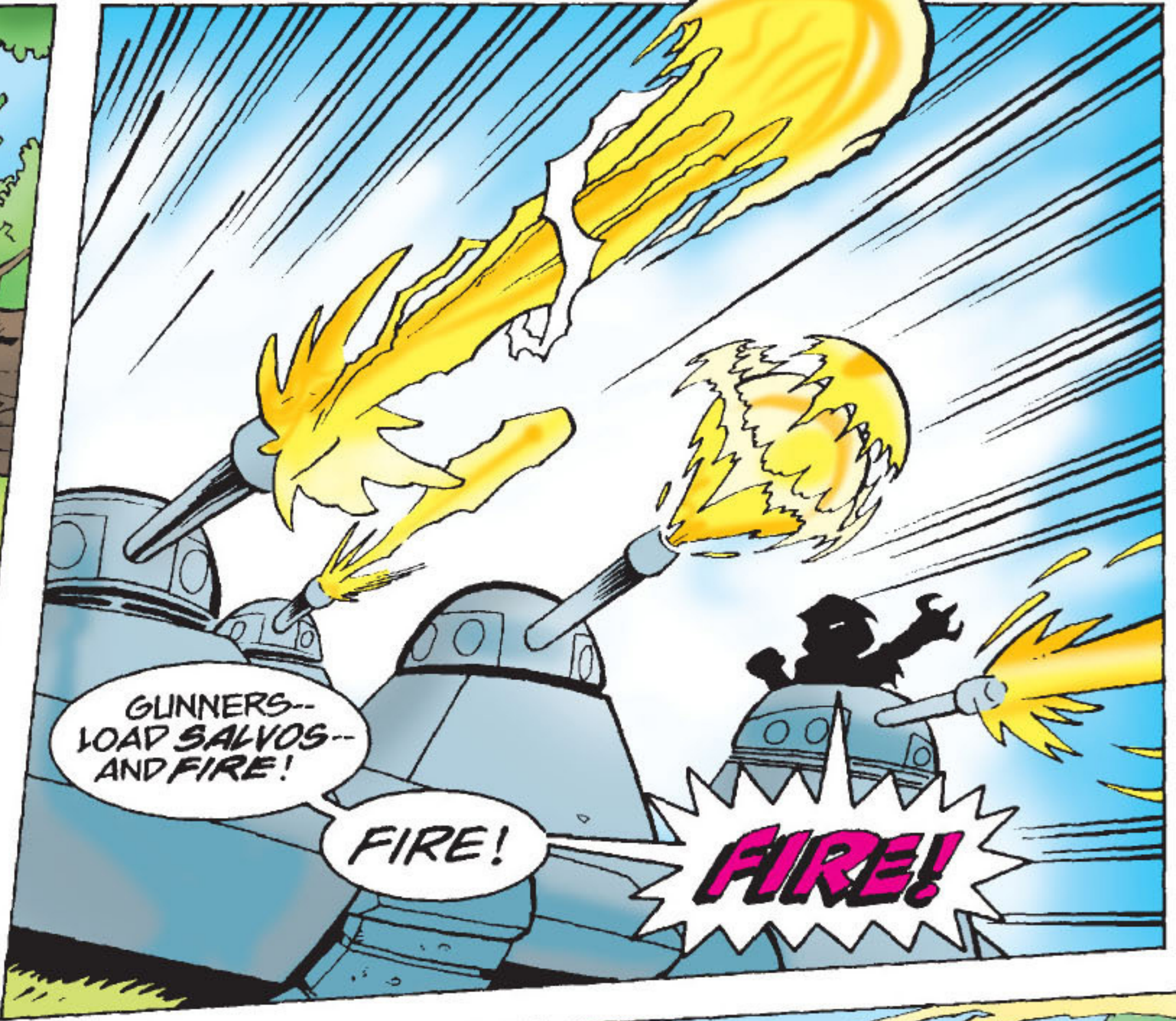
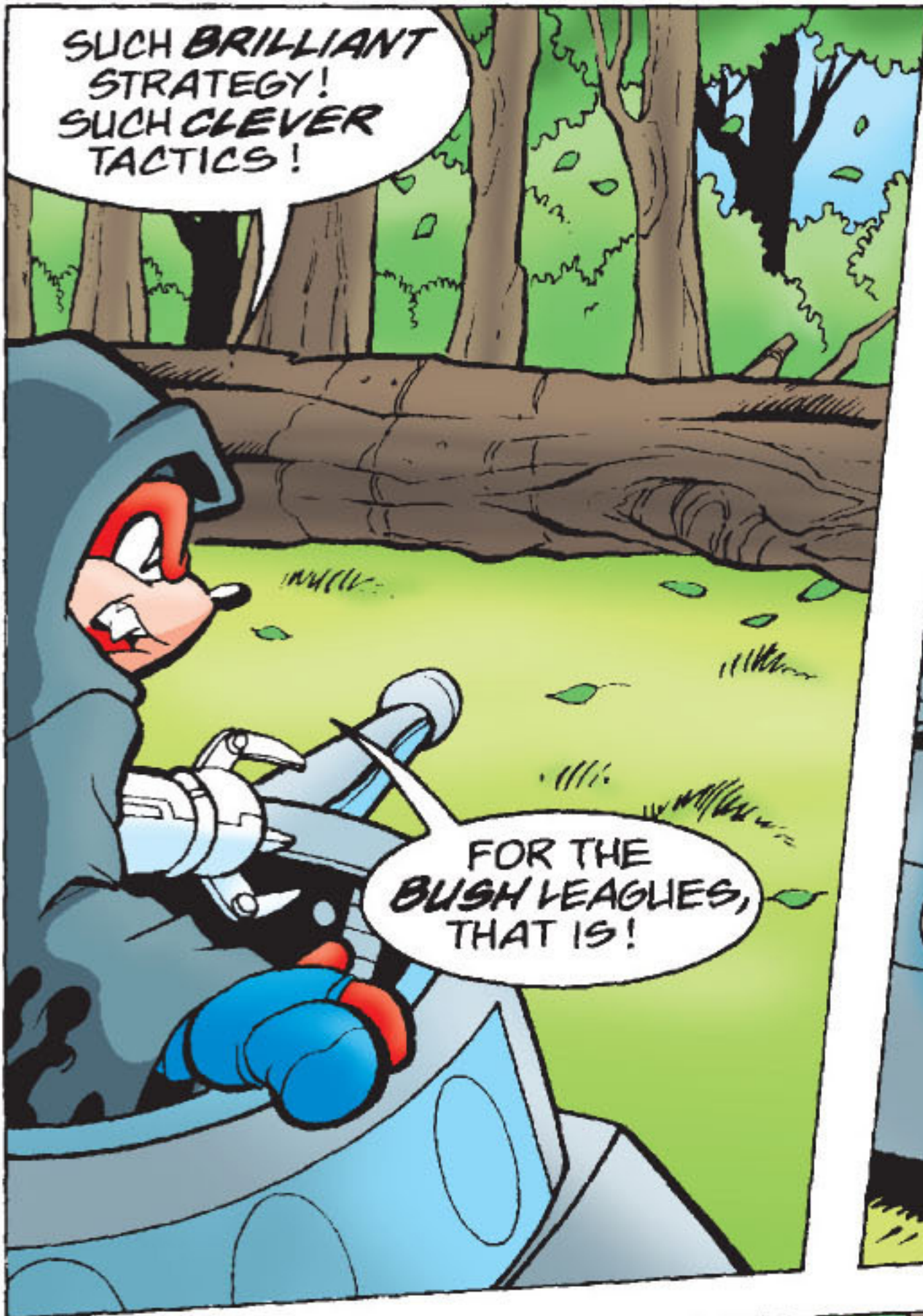














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OUTTA
THE
WAY!!**

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